



ANNO PRIMO REGI-
NAE ELIZABETHE.

AT THE
parliament be-

gonne at Westmynster, the
xxiii. of January in the fyfthe
yeare of the reigne of oure So-
ueraigne Ladye, Elizabeth by the
grace of God, of England, Fraunce
and Ireland, Quene, desen-
doure of the faith. &c.

And there proposed tyll the. xxb. of the
same moneth, and then and there holden,
kept, and continued untill the dissolution
of the same, being the eighth day of May
then nexte ensuyng, were enact-
ed as followeth.

Anno .i.5.5.9.



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the Crowne the auncient Jurisdiction ouer the state
Ecclesiasticall and Spirituall, and abolishinge all
forayne power repugnaunt to the same.



OOSTE HUMBLIE

beseche youre moste excellent
maiestie, youre saythfull, and
obedient subiectes, the lordes
Spirituall and Temporal, and
the commons in this your
present parliament assembled.
That where in tyme of the
raygne of your moste dere fa-
ther of worthy memozy kinge
Henry the yght, dyuerse good
lawes & statutes were made

and establyshed, as well for the better extinguisshmente and puttyng
awaye of all vnderpyned and forayne poweres and aucthorityes out of
this your Realme, & other your highnes dominions and countreys, as
also for the restoringe and unitinge to the imperyal Crowne of this
Realme, the auncient Jurisdicions, aucthorityes, superioryties, and
preheminences to the same of right belongyng and appertaynyng,
by reason wherof wee your most humble and obedient subiectes, fro
the xxv. yere of the reygne of your saide dere father, were continual-
ly kept in good order, and were disburdened of diuerse great and in-
tolerable charges and exactions befoze that time vnlawfully taken,
and exacted by suche forayne power and aucthoritye as befoze that
was vsurped, vntyll suche tyme as all the sayde good lawes and sta-
tutes, by on acte of parliament made in the fyrst and second yeres
of the raynes of the late kyng Phillippe, and Quene Mary, youre
highnes syster, entituled: An Acte repealyng all statutes, articles,
and prouisyons made agaynst the Sea Apostolique of Rome, syuce
the xx. yere of kinge Henry the yght, & also for the establyshment of al
spirituall and ecclesiasticall possessions & hereditamentes conueyed
to the layty, were all clearly repealed and made voyd, as by the same
Acte of repeale moze at large doth and may appeare. By reason of
which acte of repeale, youre sayde humble subiectes were esloned
brought vnder an vsurped forayne power and aucthoritye, and yet do
remayne in that bondage, to the intollerable charges of your louing
A. ij. subiectes

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subiectes if some redresse (by thacutoritye of this youre high court of parliament with thassente of youre highnes) be not had and prouyded,

MAIEIT therfore please your hyghnes, for the repressyng of the sayd blurped forrayne power and the restoryng of the ryghtes, iurisdiction, and preheminences, appertaynyng to the impervial crowne of this your realme, that it maye be enacted by thacuthoritie of this present parliament, & the said act made in the said fyrst & second yeares of the reignes of the sayd late kynge Philip & Quene Mary, & all and euery braunch, clauses, & articles therein conteyned (other then suche braunches, clauses, and sentences, as hereafter shalbe excepted) maye from the laste daye of this Session o parliamente, by aucthoritye of this present parliamente, be repealed, and shall from thensforth be utterly voyde and of none effecte.

And that also for the reuyuinge of diuers of the sayde good lawes and statutes made in þ tyme of your sayd dere father it may also please youre highnes, that one acte and Statute made in the. xxiij. yeare of the reygne of the sayde late kynge Henry theight, entituled: An acte that no person shalbe cyrd out of the dyoces where he oꝝ she dwelleth except in certayne cases. And one other acte made in the. xxiij. yeare of the reygne of the sayde late kynge, entituled: An act that appeales in suche cases as hath bene vled to be pursued to the sea of Rome, shall not be from henceforth had & vled, but within this realme. And one other acte made in the. xxv. yeare of the sayde late kynge, concernyng restraynte of paymente of annates and fyrste fruytes of archbischop-rykes, and byshoppykes to the Sea of Rome. And one other acte in the sayde. xxv. yeare, entituled: an acte concernyng the submyssyon of the cleargye to the kynges maiestie. And also one acte made in the sayde. xxv. yeare entituled: an acte restrayninge the paymente of annates oꝝ fyrst fruytes to the byshop of Rome, and of the electyng and consecratyng of archebyschoppes and byshoppes within this realme. And one other acte made in the sayd. xxv. yere entituled, an acte concerninge the exoneration of the kynges subiectes from exactions and impositions heretofore payd to the sea of Rome, and for haupng licences and dispensations within this realme, without suynge further for the same. And one other acte made in the. xxvj. yeare of the sayde late kynge entituled, an act for nomination and consecration of Suffragans within this realme. And also one other acte made in the. xxviij. yeare of the reygne of the sayde late kynge entituled, an acte for the release of suche as haue obteyned pretended lycences and dispensations from the Sea of Rome, and al and euery braunches, wordes, and sentences in the sayde seuerall actes and statutes, conteyned by aucthoritye of this present parliament, from and at all tymes after the last daye of this Session of parliament, shalbe reuiued, and shal stand and be in full

full force and strength, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, And that the branches, sentences, and wordes of the sayde severall actes, and every of them, from thensforth shall and may be iudged, deemed, and taken to extend to your highnes, your heires and successors as fully and largely as ever the same actes or any of them did extend to the sayd late kynge Henry the eighth your highnes father.

And That it maye also please your highnes, that it maye be enacted by the auctorite of this present parliament, that so much of one acte or Statute made in the. xxix. yeare of the reygne of your sayde dere father kynge Henry the eighth entituled: an acte concerning precontractes of mariages, and touchynge degrees of consanguinitie, as in the tyme of the late kynge Edward the sixte, your highnes moost dere brother, by one other acte or Statute was not repealed. And also one acte made in the. xxxvii. yeare of the reygne of the sayde late king Henry the eighth, entituled, an acte, that doctours of the ciuile lawe beinge married, maye exercise ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, and all and euery branches and articles in the sayde two actes last mentioned, and not repealed in the tyme of the sayd late king Edward the sixte, maye from thensforth like wille stande and be reuiued, and remayne in theyr full force and strength, to all intentes and purposes, any thyng conteyned in the sayde acte of repeale before mentioned, or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstandinge.

Y And that it maye also please your highnes that it maye be further enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that al other lawes and Statutes and the branches and clauses of anye acte or Statute repealed and made void by the sayd acte of repeale, made in the tyme of the said late kynge Phylipp and Queene Mary, and not in this present act specially mentioned and reuiued, shall stande remayne, and be repealed & void in suche like manner and fourme as they were before the makinge of this acte, anye thyng herein conteyned to the contrary notwithstandinge.

And that it maye also please your highnes, that it maye be enacted by the auctorite aforesaid, that one act and statute made in the fyfthe yeare of the reygne of the late kynge Edward the sixte, your maiesties moost dere brother, entituled, an acte agaynst suche persones as shall in anye maner speake agaynst the Sacramente of the bodie and blood of Christe, commonlye called the Sacramente of the altar, and for the receauynge thereof vnder bothe kyndes, and all and euery branches, clauses, and sentences therein conteyned, shall and maye by the wille from the laste daye of this Session of parliament, be reuiued, and from thensforth shall and maye stande, remayne, and be in full force, strength and effeite, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, in such like maner and fourme, as the same was at any tyme

in the fyrst year of the reigne of the said late kynge Edward the first, any law, statute, or other matter to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And that also it maye please your highnes that it maye be further established and enacted by thaurthoritie aforesayde, that one Acte and Statute made in the fyrst and seconde yeares of the sayde late kynge Phylippe and Anne Marye, entituled, an acte for the reuyvinge of thre statutes made for the punishment of heresies, and also the sayde thre statutes mentioned in the sayd acte, and by the same acte reuyved, and all and euerye braunches, articles, clauses, and sentence conteyned in the sayd seuerall actes or statutes and euery of them, shalbe from the last daye of this Session of parliament, demed and remaine utterly repealed, voyde, and of none effecte, to all intentes and purposes, any thyng in the sayde seuerall actes, or anye of them conteyned, or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstandinge.

And to the intent that all vsurped & foraine power and auctoritie spirytuall and tempozall, may for ever be clearly extinguished, and neuer to be vsed or obeyed within this realme, or anye other youre maiesties Dominions or countreys: Maye it please youre highnes that it may be further enacted by thaurthorite aforesaid, that no foraine prince parson, prelate, State, or potentate, spirytual or tempozall, shal at any time after the last day of this session of parliament, vse, enioye, or exercise any maner of power, iurisdiction, superiortie, auctorite, preheminence or priuilege spirytuall or ecclesiasticall within this realme, or within any other your maiesties Dominions or countreys that now be or hereafter shalbe, but fro thenforth the same shal be clearly abolished out of this realme, and al other your highnes Dominions for ever any statute, or dinauce, custome, constitutions, or any other matter or cause whatsoever to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And that also it maye lyke wyse please your highnes, that it may be established and enacted by thaurthorite aforesayd, that: suche iurisdiccions, priuileges, superiorties, and preheminences spirytuall and ecclesiasticall, as by any spirytuall or ecclesiasticall power or auctoritie hath heretofore bene, or maye lawfullye be exercised or vsed, for the bysytation of the ecclesiastycall State and personnes, and for reformation, order, and correction of the same, and of all manner errors, heresies, schismes, abuses, offences, contemptes, and enormities, shal for euer by thaurthoritye of this presente parlyamente, be vnyted and annexed to the imperyall Crowne of this realme. And that your highnes, your heires and successours, kynges or quenes of this realme, shal haue full power and auctoritie by vertue of this acte, by letters patentes, vnder the greates seale of Englande, to assigne, name, and auctorize, when and as often as your highnes, your heires or successours shal thinke mete and conuenient, and for suche and

so longe tyme as shall please your hyghnes, your heires or successours
suche persone or personnes beyng naturall borne subjects to your
hyghnes, your heires or successours, as your maiestie, your heires or
successours, shall thinke mete, to exercise, vse, occupie, and execute un-
der your hyghnes your heires and successours, all manner of iurisdic-
tions, pryncples and preeminences in any wyse touchyng or con-
cernyng anye spirytuall or ecclesiasticall iurisdiccions within those
your Realmes of Englande and Irelande, or anye other your hygh-
nes Dominions or countreys, and to viset, reforme, redresse, order,
correcte and amend all suche errors, heresies, scysines, abuses offen-
ces contemptes and enymities whatsoever, which by anye manner
spirytuall or ecclesiasticall power, authoritie or iurisdiction, can or
maye lawfully be reformed, ordered redressed corrected restrayned or
amended, to the pleasure of almighty God, the increase of vertue, and
the conseruation of the peace and unitie of this realme. And that such
persone or personnes so to be named assigned authorised and apoynt-
ed by your hyghnes, your heires or successours after the sayd letters
patentes in hym or them made and deliuered as is aforesayde, shall
haue full power and authoritie by vertue of this acte and of the sayd
letters patentes vnder your hyghnes your heires or successours, to
execute vse and execute all the premises accordyng to the tenour
and effecte of the sayd letters patentes. Anye matter or cause to the
contrarie in anye wyse not withstandyng.

And for the better obseruation and mayntenaunce of this acte,
maye it please your hyghnes that it maye be further enacted by the
authoritie aforesayde, that all and euery Archebyschoppe, Byschoppe
and all and euery other ecclesiasticall person, and other ecclesiasticall
officer and minister of what estate dyginitie preeminence or degree
soeuer he or they be, or shall be, and all and euery temporall Judge, ius-
tice, Mayor, and other lay or temporall officer and minister, and eu-
ery other persone, hauinge your hyghnes fee or wages within this
realme, or anye your hyghnes Dominions, shall make, take, and re-
ceiue a coppyall othe vpon the euangelyst, before such person or per-
sonnes as shall please your hyghnes, your heires or successours,
vnder the great seale of Englande, to asygne and name, to accepte
and take the same, accordyng to the deuote and effecte hereafter fol-
lowyng: What is to saye: I A. B. do vriterly testifie and declare
in my conscience, that the quene's hyghnes is the onely supreame go-
uernour of this realme, and of all other her hyghnes Dominions and
countreys, as well in all spirytuall or ecclesiasticall thinges or causes
as temporall, and so no forayne pryncer, parson, prelate, state, or poten-
tate, hath or ought to haue any iurisdiction, power, superiourtie, preemi-
nence, or authoritie ecclesiasticall or spirytuall within this realme, a there-
fore

I do utterly renounce and forsake all feyned iurisdiccions, powers, superiorities and auctorities, and do promise that from henceforth I shall beare sayth and trewe allegiaunce to the Quenes highnes, her heyres and lawfull successours, and to my power shall assiste and defende all iurisdiccions, priuileges, preheminences, and auctorities graunted or belonging to the Quenes highnes, her heyres and successours, or vniited & annexed to thimperiall crowne of this realme so helpe me god, and by the contents of this booke.

And that it maye be also enacted, that if anye such Archbyschop, Byschoppe, or any other ecclesiasticall officer or minister, or anye of the sayd tempoꝛall iudges, iusticiaries, or other lay officer or minister, shal peremptoꝛlye or obstinatelye refuse to take or receaue the sayd othe. That then he so refusinge, shall forseyt and lose onely duringe his lyfe all and euery ecclesiasticall and spirytuall promotion, benefice and office free, and euery tempoꝛall and lay promotion and office, which he hath soley at the tyme of suche refusal made, and that the whole title, interest, and incumbencie in euery such promotion, benefice, and other office, as agaynst suche person onely so refusinge, duringe his lyfe, shall clearely cease, and be voyde, as though he the parye so refusinge were dead. And that also all and euery such person and persons so refusinge to take the sayd othe, shall immediatelye after suche refusal, be from thensforth duringe his lyfe unable to retayne or exercise anye office, or other promotion, which he at the tyme of suche refusal hath soley, or in common with any other person or persons. And that all and euery person and persons that at any tyme hereafter shalbe preferred, promoted, or collated to any Archbyschopricke, or Byschopricke, or to any other spirytuall or ecclesiasticall benefice, promotion, dignitie, office or ministry, or that shalbe by your highnes, your heyres or successours, preferred or promoted to any tempoꝛall or lay office, ministry, or seruice within this realme, or in any your highnes dominions, before he or they shall take vpon hym or them to receiue, be, exercise, supply, or occupy anye such archbyschopricke, byschopricke, promotion, dignitie, office, ministry, or seruice, shal be lawfully make, take, and receaue the sayd tempoꝛall othe before mentioned, vpon the euangelist, before such person or persons as haue or shall haue auctoritie to admytte anye such person to anye such office, ministry, or seruice, or els before such person or persons as by your highnes your heyres or successours, by commission vnder the great seale of England, shal be named, assigned or appointed to minister the said othe. And that it maye likewise be further enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that if anye such person or persons as at anye tyme hereafter shal be promoted, preferred, or collated to anye such promotion, spirytuall or ecclesiasticall, benefice, office, or ministry, or that by your highnes, your heyres or successours, shal be

promoted or preferred to anye temporall or laye office, ministerye, or seruice, shall and do peremptoriely and obstinately refuse to take the same oth so to him to be offered, that then he or they soo refusinge, shall presently be iudged disabled in the lawe, to receaue, take, or haue the same promotion Spirituall, or ecclesiasticall, the same temporall office, mynistrye, or seruice within this realme, or any other your highnes Dominions, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes.

AND THAT it may be further enacted by thauthoritye aforesayde, that all and euery person and persons temporall, supnge luyery, or oultre lemayne, oute of the handes of youre hyghnes, youre heires or successours, before his or their liuery or oultre lemayne, sued for the and allowed, and euery temporall person or persons, doyng any homage to your highnes, your heires or successours, or that shalbe receyued into seruice with youre hyghnes, youre heires or successours, shall make, take, and receaue the saide corporall othe before mentioned, before the Lorde chauncellour of Englande, or the lorde keeper of the great seal for the tyme beinge, or before suche person or personnes as by youre hyghnes, your heires or successours shalbe named and appoynted to accepte or receaue the same. And that also all and euery person and persons takyng orders, and all and euery other person and persons, which shalbe promoted or preferred to anye degree of learnyng in anye vniuersitie within this youre Realme or domynions, before he shall receaue or take anye such orders, or be preferred to anye such degree of learnyng, shall make, take, and receaue the sayd othe by this acte let forth and declared, as is aforesayd, before his or their ordinarie, Comissary, Chauncellour, or vicechauncellour, or theyr sufficient deputies in the sayd vniuersitie.

Wherby it is provided alwayes, and that it may be further enacted by thauthoritye aforesayde, that if any person hauing anye estate of inheritance in any temporall office or offices, shall hereafter obstinately and peremptoriely refuse to accept and take the said othe as is aforesaid, and after at any tyme duringe his lyfe, shall willingly requyre to take & receaue the sayd oth, and so do take & accepte the same oth before any person or persones that shall haue lawefull aucthoritye to mynistrye the same. That then euery suche person immediately after he hath soo receyued the same oth, shalbe bested, iudged, and demed in like estate and possession of the sayd office, as he was before the said refusal, and shal and maye vse and exercise the said office, in such maner & fourme as he shoulde or myghte haue done before suche refusall, anye thyng in this acte conteyned to the contrarye in anye wyse notwithstandinge.

AND FOR THE MORE sure obseruation of this acte, and the better extinguishment of al forayne and blurped power & aucthoritye, maye

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make it please your highness that it may be further enacted by the
 authority aforesayde, that yf any person or persons, dwelling or in
 habytynge within this your Realme, or in any other your highness
 Realmes or Dominions, of what estate, dignite, or degree soever
 he or they be after the ende of .xxx. dayes nexte after the determination of
 this session of this present parliament, shall by wyrtynge, pryntynge,
 teachynge, preachynge, expresse wordes, dede, or acte, aduisedly, mali-
 ciously, and directly affirme, holde, stande with setce forth,
 mayntayne, or defende the authority, preheminence, powre, or iuris-
 diction spirytual or ecclesiasticall of any foraine prince, prelate, par-
 son State or potentate what soever, heretofore claimed, vsed, or blas-
 ped within this Realme, or any Dominion or countrey, being within
 or vnder the power, dominion or obeyssaunce of your highness, or shall
 aduisedly, maliciously, and directly put in hys, or execute any
 thyng for the tolling, aduancement, setting forth, mayntenaunce,
 or defence of any suche pretended, or blurred iurisdiction, power, pre-
 heminance, or authority, or any parte thereof. That then every suche
 person and persones so doyng and offendinge, theyr abettours, ay-
 dours, procurers, and counsaillers, being thereof lawfully conuicted
 and attainted, accordyng to the due order and course of the common
 lawes of this realme, for hys or theyr synne offence, shall forsaite and
 lose vnto your highness, your heires and successours, all hys and their
 goodes & cattelles, as well reall as personall, And yf any suche person
 so conuicted or attainted, shall not haue, or be worth of hys proper
 goodes and cattels to the value of .xx.li. at the tyme of suche hys con-
 uiction or attaynder, that then every such person so conuicted and at-
 tayed, ouer and besydes the forsaite of all hys sayde goodes and
 cattelles, shall haue and suffer imprisonmente by the space of on hole
 yeare without bayle or maynpryse. And that also all and euerye the
 benefices, prebendes, and other ecclesiastical promotiones and digni-
 ties whatsoever, of every spirytual person so offendinge, and beinge
 attayed, shall immediately after such attayndour be utterly boide,
 to all intentes, and purposes, as though the incumbent thereof were
 deade, and that the patron and donour of euerye suche benefice, pre-
 bend, spirytual promotion and dignite, shall and maye lawfullye
 present vnto the same, or geue the same, in such maner and forme, as
 yf the sayde incumbent were dead. And yf anye suche offendour or of-
 fendours, after such conuiction or attaynder, do eschone commytte or
 do the sayde offences, or any of them, in maner and forme aforesayd,
 and be thereof duly committed and attayed as is aforesayd. That
 then every suche offendour and offendours shall for the same seconde
 offence, incurre in to the daungers, penalties, and forsaitures, ordey-
 ned and prouyded by the statute of prouision and preminere, made in
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the xvi. year of the reigne of king Richard the second. And if any such offendour or offendours, at any tyme after the sayd second conuiction and attayndoure, do the thyrde tyme commit and doe the sayde offences, or anye of them, in maner and fourme aforesayde, and be thereof duelye conuicted and attaynted as is aforesayde. That then euerye suche offence or offences shall be demed and adiudged byghe treason, and that the offendoure and offendours therein, beyng therof lawfullye conuicted and attaynted, accorbyng to the lawes of thys Realme, shall suffre paynes of deathe, and other penaltys, forfeitures, and losses, as in cases of byghe treason by the lawes of thys Realme.

And also that it maye lykewylse please youre hyghnesse, that it maye be enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that no manner of person or personnes, shall be molested or impeached for anye the offences aforesayde, committed or perpetrated onely by preachynge, teaching, or wordes, onles he or they be thereof lawfullye endicted, within the space of one halfe yeare next after his or theyr offences so committed. And in case any person or personnes shall fortune to be imprysoned for anye of the sayde offences committed by preachynge, teaching, or wordes onely, and be not thereof endicted within the space of one halfe yeare nexte after his or theyr such offence so committed and done. That then the sayde personne soo imprysoned shall be sette at lybertie, and be no lenger deteyned in pyson for anye suche cause or offence.

Wherbynded alwayes and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that thys acte or anye thyng therein conteyned, shall not in anye wyse extende to repeale anye clause, matter, or sentence conteyned or specified, in the sayde acte of Repeale, made in the sayde fyrste and seconde yeares of the raygnes of the sayde late kynge Philippe, and Quene Mary, as doth in any wyse, touch or concerne any matter or case of Heremite, or that doth make or define any matter, or cause to be within the case of Heremite, but that the same, forsomuch onely as toucheth or concerneth any case or matter of Heremite, shall stand and remayne in suche force and effecte, as the same was before the makinge of thys acte. Anye thyng in this acte, conteyned to the contrarye in anye wyse notwithstandinge.

Wherbynded also, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that thys acte, or anye thyng therein conteyned, shall not in anye wyse extende or be prejudyciall to anye personne or personnes for any offence or offences committed or done or hereafter to be committed or doone, contrarye to the tenoure and effecte of anye acte or Statute now

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notwe reuined by this acte, before the end of .xxx. dayes next after the end of the session of this present Parliament, any thing in this acte conteyned, or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding. And if it happen that any peare of this Realme shall fortune to be indicted of, and for any offence that is reuyned or made premynre or treason by this acte, that then he so beinge indicted, shall haue his tryall by his peres, in suche lyke maner and fourme, as in other cases of treason hath ben bled.

Provyded alwayes and be it enacted as is aforesayd, that no manner of order, acte or determination, for any matter of religion, or cause Ecclesiasticall, had or made by the auctoritie of this presente parliament, shall be accepted, demed, interpretate or adiudged at any tyme hereafter, to be any errour, heresye, scisme, or scismatical oppnyon. Any order, decree, sentence, constitution, or lawe, whatsoeuer the same be to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provyded alwayes, and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde. That suche personne or personnes to whome your hygghnes, your heires or Successoures, shall hereafter by letters patentis, vnder the greate Seale of England, geue auctoritie to haue or execute any iurisdiction, power or auctoritie Spiritual, or to visite, reforme, order, or correct any errours, heresies, scismes, abuses, or enormities by vertue of this Acte, shall not in any wyse haue auctoritie or power to order, determine, or adiudge any matter or cause to be heresye, but onelye suche as heretofore haue bene determined, ordred, or adiudged to be heresye, by the auctoritie of the canonycall Scriptures, or by the first fourre generall Councyles, or any of them, or by any other generall Councyl wherin the same was declared heresie, by the expresse and playne wordes of the sayd canonycal Scriptures, or such as hereafter shall be ordred, iudged, or determined to be heresye, by the hyghe Courte of Parliament of this Realme, with the assent of the Clergy in thei conuocation. Any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that no personne or personnes, shall be hereafter indicted or arraigned for any the offences made, ordeyned, reuined, or adiudged by this acte, onlesse there be two sufficient witnessis or moze, to testify and declare the sayd offences, wherof he shall be indicted or arraigned. And that the sayd witnessis, or so many of them as shall be liuinge, and within this Realme at the tyme of the arraignement of suche person so indicted, shall be brought forth in person, face to face, before the party so arraigned, and there shall testify and declare what they can say agaynst the party

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partye so arraigned, yf he requyre the same.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it further enacted by thauchoyrtpe aforesayd, that yf any person or persons shall hereafter happen to geue any reliefe, ayde or comfozte, or in any wyse be ayding, helping, or comfoztynge to the person or persons of anye that shall hereafter happen to be an offendour in any matter or case of *Præsumptio* or treason, reueryed or made by this acte. That then such releysse, ayde, or comfozte gyuen shall not be iudged or taken to be any offence, onlesse there be two sufficient witnessses at the least that can and will openly testifie and declare that the person or persons that so gaue suche releysse, ayde, or comfozt, had notice and knowledge of such offence, commytted and done by the sayde offendour, at the tyme of such releysse ayde. or comfozte so to hym giuen or ministred, any thinge in this acte conteyned, or anye other matter or cause to the contrary in any wyse notwithstandinge.

AND VVHEREFORE PRETENSIO sentence hath heretofore bene giuen in the consistorye in *Doctores*, befoze certayne Judges, *Delegati*, by the auctoritie *Legantine*, of the late Cardinall *Doole*, by reason of a foeyne vsurped power and auctoritie, agaynste *Rycharde Chetwood Esquier*, and *Agnes* his wyfe, by the name of *Agnes Woodhull*, at the sute of *Charles Tyrell* gentelman, in a cause of matrimonye solemnized betwene the sayde *Richard* and *Agnes*, as by the same pretended sentence moze playnely doth appeare. From which sentence the sayd *Rychard* and *Agnes* haue appealed to the courte of *Rome*, which appeale doth there remayne, and yet is not determined. Maye it therefore please your highnes that it may be enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if sentence in the said appeale, shall happen to be giuen at the sayd courte of *Rome*, for and in the behalfe of the sayde *Rychard* and *Agnes*, for the reueryng of the sayd pretended sentence befoze the ende of thre score dayes next after the ende of this Session of this present *Parlyamente*. That then the same shall be iudged & taken to be good and effectuell in the lawe, and shall, and may be vsed, pleaded and allowed in anye courte or place within this Realme, anye thinge in this acte, or in any other acte or statute, conteyned to the contrary notwithstandinge. And if no sentence shall be giuen at the courte of *Rome*, in the sayd appeale for the reueryng of the said pretended sentence, before the ende of the sayde thre score dayes, that then it shall and maye be lawefull for the sayde *Rychard*, and *Agnes*, and eyther of them at any tyme hereafter to commence, take, sue, and prosecute the sayd appeale from the sayd pretended sentence, and for the reueryng of the sayd pretended sentence within this Realme, in suche lyke maner and foyme as was vsed to be pursued or myght haue bene pursued within this realme, at any tyme since the. xxiii. yere of the reigne of the sayd late kyng *Henry the Eyghte*, vpon sentences giuen in the

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court or courtes of any Archbisshop within this Realme. And that such appeale as so hereafter shalbe taken or pursued by the sayde Rycharde Chetwood and Agnes, or eyther of them, and the sentence that herein or thereupon shall hereafter be geuen, shalbe iudged to be good and effectuell in the lawe, to all intentes and purposes, anye lawe, custome, vsage, canon, constitution or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding.

PROVIDED ALSO AND BE IT enacted by thauthortie afore sayd, that where there is the like appeale nowe depending in the sayde court of Rome, betwene one Robert Harcourt, Marchaunt of the Stable, and Elizabeth Harcourt, otherwise called Elizabeth Robins of the one partie. And Anthony fyndell Marchaunte Straunger, on thother partie, that the sayd Roberte, Elizabeth, and Anthonye, and euery of them, shall and may for the prosecuting and tryng of their said apeale, haue and enioye the like remedy, benefitte, and aduantage, in lyke maner and fourme as the sayd Richard and Agnes, or any of the hath, may, or ought to haue and enioy, this acte or any thinge therein conteyned to the contrary in any wyle notwithstanding.

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HERE AT THE DEATH OF our late Soueraygne Lorde kynge Edward the Sixte, there remained one vniforme order of common seruice & Prayer, and of the administration of Sacramentes Rites, and ceremonies in the Church of Englande, which was set forth in one booke entituled: The booke of common Prayer, & administration of Sacramentes, and other rites & ceremonies in the Church of England, authoyssed by acte of Parliament, holden in the fift & sixt yeares of our sayde late Soueraygne Lord, kynge Edward the sixt, intituled: An acte for the vniformitie of Common Prayer, and administration of the Sacramentes, the whiche was repealed and taken awaye by acte of Parliament in the first yeare of the Raigne of our late Soueraygne Ladye Quene Marye, to the greate decaye of the due honoz of GOD and discomfort to the professors of the truthe of Christes

Christes Religion. **BE IT FURTHER** enacted by the auctoritie of this presente parliamente that the sayde statute of repeale and euerye thing therein conteyned onelpe concernynge the sayde booke and the scrupit administration of Sacramentes, rites and ceremonies, conteyned in appoynted in or by the sayd booke, shalbe voyde and of none effect from and after the feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist next coming. And that the sayd booke, with the order of service, and of administration of Sacramentes, rites and ceremonies, with the alteration and additions therein added and appoynted by this statute, shall stand and be so and after the sayd feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist, in full force and effecte, accordyng to the tenoure and effecte of this statute, anye thinge in the aforesayde statute of repeale to the contrary notwithstanding.

And further be it enacted by the Quenes byghnes, with charter of the lordes and commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctoritie of the same, that all and singuler ministers in anye Cathedral or parochie church, or other place within this realme of Englande, Wales, and the marches of the same, or other the Quenes dominions, shall from and after the feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist next cominge, be bounden to saye and use the Matens, Evensonge, Celebration of the Lordes supper, and administration of eche of the sacramentes, and all theyr common and open prayer, in such order and sort as is mentioned in the sayde booke so auctorised by parliament in the sayd v. and vi. yeare of the reygne of kyng Edward the Sixte, with one alteration or addition of certayne lessons to be used on every Sunday in the yeare, and the sortme of the Letanye altered and corrected, and two sentences onely added in the delivery of the Sacrament to the communicantes, and none other, or otherwyle. And that yf any manner of Parson, Vicar, or other whatsover minister, that ought or shoulde saye or saye common Prayer mentioned in the sayde booke, or minister the Sacramentes from after the feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist next coming, refuse to use the sayde common prayers, or to minister the Sacramentes in such Cathedral or parochie Church, or other places, as he shoulde use to minister the same, in such order and sort as they be mentioned and set forth in the sayde booke, or shall wilfullye or obstinately standynge in the same, use any other rite, Ceremony, order, sortme or maner of celebratyng of the lordes supper quentlye or privately, or matens, evensonge, administration of the Sacramentes, or other open prayers then is mentioned and set forth in the said booke, *Open prayers or in any other waye this Acte is made that prayer which is for other to come vnto, or be at, etc. in any common Churches, or pray Chappels, or Oratories, commonly called the service of the church* or shall preach, declare, or speake any thing in the derogation or depreciation.

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upunge of the said booke, or any thing therein contened, or of any parte thereof, and shalbe therof lawfully convicted according to the lawes of this realme, by verdict of xii. men, or by his owne confession, or by the more or less evidence of the fact, shall lose and forfeit to the quenes highnes her heires and successors, for his first offence, the profit of all his spiritual benefices or promotions, coming or arysing in one hole yere next after this conviction. And also that the person so convicted, shall for the same offence suffer imprisonment by the space of vi. monethes, without bayle or maynpryse. And if any such person once convicted of any offence concerning the premises, shall after his first conviction offend, and be thereof in fourme aforesayde lawfully convicted, then the same person shall for his second offence suffer imprisonment by the space of one hole yere, & also shall therefore be deprived, *ipso facto* of all his spiritual promotions, and that it shalbe lawfull to al patrons or donors of all and syniguler the same spiritual promotions, or of any of them, to present or collate to the same, as though the person and persons so offending were dead. And that if any such person or persons after he shalbe twice convicted in fourme aforesayde, shall offend against any of the premises the third tyme, and shalbe therof in fourme aforesayde lawfully convicted. That then the person so offending, and convicted the thrid tyme, shalbe deprived *ipso facto* of all his spiritual promotions, and also shall suffer imprisonment during his lyfe.

AND if the person that shall offend, and be convicted in fourme aforesayde, concerning anye of the premises, shall not be beneficed, nor have any spiritual promotion. That then the same person so offending and convicted, shall for the first offence suffer imprisonment during one hole yere nexte after his sayde conviction, without bayle or maynpryse. And yf anye suche personne, not havinge anye spiritual promotion, after his sayde conviction, shall offend in anye thyng concerninge the premises, and shall in fourme aforesayde, be thereof lawfully convicted. That then the same personne shall for his seconde offence, suffer imprisonment during his lyfe.

AND IT IS ORDERED AND ENACTED by the auctorite abovesayde that yf anye personne or personnes whatsoever, after the sayde feast of the Natyvytie of Sanct John Baptist nexte cominge, shall in anye Entredunes, Playes, Songs, Rymes, or by other open wordes, declared, speake any thyng in the derogation, depravinge or despisinge of the same booke, or of anye thyng therein contened, or anye parte thereof, or shall by open facts, deeds, or by open threateninges, compell or cause, or other wyse procure or mayntayne anye personne, bycat, or other minister in anye Cathedral, or parochiall Church, or in Chappell, or in anye other

shal be bled in such tyme of let vpon euerye Sondaye, and other dayes
ordyned and bleden be kept as holye dayes. And then and there to
abide pberly, & to be sty during the tyme of the common Prayer, prea-
chinges or other seruyce of God, there to be bled a minuted, byd paine
of punishment by the reuillures of the Church. And also byd paine that
euery person so offending shal so; seit for euerye such offence, xli. d. to
be leuied by the Church wardens of the parishes, wheree suche offence
shal be done, to thuse of the pore, of the same parishes, of the goodes land-
des, and reuementes of such offendour, by waye of benefice. And for
due execution hereof, the Quenees most excellent Maiestie, the lordes
Temporall, and all the commons in this present Parliament assem-
bled, both in goddes name earnestly requyre and charge all the Arch-
bishops, Bishops, and other ordinaries, that they shal endeour
them selues to the best of their knowledges, that the due & true
execution hereof may be had through out their diocesse, and charges,
as they shal and wote before God, by such exiles and plagues, where-
with almighty God may iustly punyssh his people for neglecting this
good and wholesome lawe. And for the auerment in this behalfe, be
it farther enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all and singular the
same Archbishops, Bishops, and all other their officers, exercising
ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, wher in place exempted nor exempt, with
in their diocesse, shal haue full power and authority by this acte, to
reform, correct, and punyssh by censures of the Church, al and singu-
lar persones, which shal offende within any their iurisdictiones or dio-
cesse, with the sayde lawe of the Statute of Saynte John Baptist
next commynge, agaynst this acte and statute. Any other lawe, statute,
priviledge, libertie, or pvision heretofore made, had, or used to the
contrary notwithstanding.

AND IT IS ORDEINED and enacted by the authority aforesaid
sayde, that all and euery iustices of Oyer and Determiner, or Iudices
of Assise, shal haue full power and authority in euery of them open
and generall Sessions, to enquire here and determine al and al ma-
ner of offences, that shal be committed or done contrary to any article,
conteyned in this present Acte, within the lymtes of the Commission
to them dyrected, and to make processe for the recovery of the same, as
they maye do agaynst any personne being indited before them of felo-
nysse, or lawfully committed thereof.

AND IT IS FURTHER ENACTED and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid,
that all and euery Archbishops and Bishops, shal as
maye at all tyme and tynges at his libertie and pleasure, ioyne and al-
locate hym selfe, by vertue of this acte, to the sayde Iustices of Oyer
and Determiner, or to the sayde Iustices of Assise, at euerye of the sayd
open and generall Sessions, to be holden in any place within his dio-
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esse for and to the enquiry hereynge and determininge of the offences afore sayd.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that the bookes concerning the sayde Services shall at the costes and charges of the parishioners of every parische and Cathedral Church be transported and gotten before the sayd feast of the Ascentie of Saint John Baptist next following, and that all such parishes and Cathedral Churches, or other places, where the said bookes shall be transported and gotten before the said feast of the Ascentie of Saint John Baptist, shall within three weekes next after the sayd bookes, be transported and gotten into the said semper, and put the same in his according to this act.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that no person or persons shall at any tyme hereafter, committed or otherwise misbehaved, or for any of the offences above mentioned, hereafter to be committed as being contrary to this act, onles he or they be offending, before the next generall Sessions, to be holden before any such Justices of Assise and Determiner, or Justices of Assise, next after any offence committed or done contrary to the tenor of this act.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it enacted and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all and singuler Lordes of the Parliamēt for the time beinge about us, shall be tried by their peers, and be it enacted and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that the Mayor of London, and all other Mayors, Bishops, and other head officers of all and singuler Cities, Boroughes, and Townes Corporate within this Realme, shales, and the marshes of the same to the which Justices of Assise do not commonly re- ppey, shall have full power and auctoritie by vertue of this acte to edguge here and determine the offences above sayd, and every of the yerely within xii. dayes after the feast of Easter, and the Whiche thare chaungel, in like maner and forme as Justices of Assise and Oyer and Determiner shall do.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it ordered and enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all and singuler Archbishops, and Bishops, and everie of their Chancellours, Commissioners, Archdeacons, & other ordinaries, having any peculier ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, shall have full power and auctoritie by vertue of this act, as well to enquire in their visitation Synodes, and elsewhere within their iurisdiction at any other tyme and place, to take occasions and informations of all and every the things above mentioned, done committed, or perpetrated within the limits of their iurisdiction, & auctoritie, & to punish the same by admonition, excommunication, sequestration, or deprivation, & other such such and

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court or courtes of any Archbisshop within this Realme. And that such appeale as so hereafter shalbe taken or pursued by the sayde Rycharde Cherwood and Agnes, or eyther of them, and the sentence that herein or thereupon shall hereafter be geuen, shalbe iudged to be good and effectuell in the lawe, to all intentes and purposes, anye lawe, custome, vsage, canon, constitution or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding.

PROVIDED ALSO AND BE IT enacted by thauthortie aforesayd, that whete there is the like appeale nowe depending in the sayde court of Rome, betwene one Robert Harcourt, Marchaunt of the Stable, and Elizabeth Harcourt, other wise called Elizabeth Robins of the one partie. And Anthony fyndell Marchaunte Straunger, on thother partie, that the sayd Roberte, Elizabeth, and Anthonye, and euery of them, shall and may for the prosecuting and tryng of their said apeale, haue and enioye the like remedy, benefitte, and aduantage, in lyke maner and fourme as the sayd Richard and Agnes, or any of the hath, may, or ought to haue and enioy, this acte or any thinge therein conteyned to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

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HERE AT THE DEATH OF oure late Soueraygne Lorde kynge Edward the Sixte, there remained one vni forme order of commo seruice & Prayer, and of the adiministratiō of Sacramentes Rites, and ceremonies in the Church of Englande, which was set forth in one boke entytuled: The boke of commo Prayer, & administration of Sacramentes, and other rites & ceremonies in the Church of England, aucthorised by acte of Parliament, holden in the fyfte & syxt

yeares of oure sayde late Soueraygne Lord, kynge Edward the syxt, intituled: An acte for the vni formitie of Common Prayer, and administration of the Sacramentes, the whych was repealed and taken awaye by acte of Parliament in the fyrst yeare of the Raygne of oure late Soueraygne Ladye Quene Marre, to the greate decaye of the due honoꝝ of G D D and discomfort to the professōs of the truthe of Christes

Christes Religion. **BE IT FURTHER** enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament that the sayde statute of repeale and euery thing therein conteyned onely concernynge the sayde booke and the scruples administration of Sacramentes, rites and ceremonies, conteyned or appoynted in or by the sayd booke, shalbe voyde and of none effect, from and after the feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist next comynge. And that the sayd booke, with the order of service, and of administration of Sacramentes, rites and ceremonies, with the alterations and additions therein added and appoynted by this statute, shall stand and be used and after the sayd feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist, in full force and effecte, accordyng to the tenoure and effecte of this statute, any thing in the aforesayde statute of repeale to the contrary notwithstanding.

And further be it enacted by the Quenes highnes, with the assent of the lordes and commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctoritie of the same, that all and singuler ministers in any Cathedral or parochie church, or other place within this realme of Eng-lande, Wales, and the marches of the same, or other the Quenes dominions, shall from and after the feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist next comynge, be bounden to use and vse the Matens, Evensonge, Celebration of the Lordes Supper, and administration of the Sacramentes, and all theyr common and open prayer, in the order and fourmes as is mentioned in the sayde booke so aucthorised by parliament in the sayd v. and vi. years of the reygne of kyng Edward the Sixte, with one alteration or addition of certayne lessons to be used on every Sunday in the yeare, and the fourme of the Letanye altered and corrected, and two sentences onely added in the delivery of the Sacrament to the communicantes, and none other, or otherwyse. And that if any manner of Person, Apele, or other rebelle, seditious, or schismaticke, that ought or shoulde saye or saye common Prayer mentioned in the sayde booke, or minister the Sacramentes, from after the feast of the Nativite of S. John Baptist next comynge, refuse to use the sayde common prayers, or to minister the Sacramentes in such Cathedral or parochie Church, or other places, as he shoulde use to minister the same, in such order and fourme as they be mentioned and set forth in the sayde booke, or shall wilfullye or obstinately standynge in the same, use any other rite, Ceremony, order, fourme, or maner of celebratyng of the Lordes Supper, or any prayer, or ministration, evensonge, administration of the Sacramentes, or other open prayers then is mentioned and set forth in the said booke, (Open prayers as in and throughe this Acte is mente shal be prayer which is for other to come vnto, or beare, etc. ther in common Churches, or priuie Chappels, or Oratories, commonly called the seruise of the Church) or shall preach, declare, or speake any thing in the derogation or depreciation

uyng of the said boke, or any thing therein contained, or of any parte thereof, and shalbe therof lawfully convicted according to the lawes of this realme, by verdict of xij. men, or by his owne confession, or by the notorious evidence of the fact, shall lose and forfeit to the quenes highnes her heires and successors, for his first offence, the profyt of all hys spiritual benefices or promotions, coming or arysing in one hole yere next after this conviction. And also that the person so convicted, shall for the same offence suffer imprisonment by the space of vi. monethes, without bayle or maynepyse. And if any such person once convicted of any offence concerning the premises, shal after his first conviction offend, and be thereof in fourme aforesayde lawfully convicted, then the same person shall for his second offence suffer imprisonment by the space of one hole yere, & also shall therfore be deprived, ^{ipso facto} of all his spiritual promotions, and that it shalbe lawfull to al patrons or donors of all and singuler the same spiritual promotions, or of any of them, to present or collate to the same, as though the person and persons so offending were dead. And that if any such person or persons after he shalbe twice convicted in fourme aforesayde, shal offend against any of the premises the third tyme, and shalbe therof in fourme aforesayde lawfully convicted. That then the person so offending, and convicted the third tyme, shalbe deprived ^{ipso facto} of all his spiritual promotions, and also shall suffer imprisonment during hys lyfe.

AND if the person that shall offend, and be convicted in fourme aforesayde, concerning any of the premises, shall not be beneficed, nor have any spiritual promotion. That then the same person so offending and convicted, shall for the first offence suffer imprisonment during one hole yere next after his sayde conviction, without bayle or maynepyse. And yf anye suche personne, not havinge anye spiritual promotion, after hys first conviction, shall offend or offend in anye thyng concerning the premises, and shall in fourme aforesayde, be thereof lawfully convicted. That then the same personne shall for hys seconde offence, suffer imprisonment during hys lyfe.

AND IT IS ORDEINED AND ENACTED by the auctorite abovesayde, that yf anye personne or personnes whatsoever, after the sayde feast of the Purificacion of Sanct John Baptist next commynge, shall in anye Churches, Playes, Songes, Rymes, or by other open wordes, declare or speake any thyng in the derogation, depravinge or despisinge of the said boke, or of anye thyng therein contained, or anye parte thereof, or shall by open facts, Deeds, or by open threateninges, compell or cause, or other wyse procure or maintayne anye personne, byeat, or other minister in anye Cathedral or parochiall Church, or in Chappell, or in anye other

shal be bled in such tyme of let vpon euerye Sondaye, and other dayes
ordayned and used to be kepte as holye dayes. And then and there to
abide orderly, & to desce during the tyme of the common Prayer, prea-
chinges or other seruyces of God, there to be bled & ministered, wth payne
of punishment by the reuillures of the Church. And also vpon paine that
euery person so offending shal forfeit for euerye such offence, xli. d. to
be leuied by the Church wardens of the parishes, wheree suche offence
shal be done, to thauke of the pore, of the same parishes, of the goodes, lands,
vessels, and reuenues of such offendour, by warrand by the chiefe, And for
due execution hereof the Durres most excellent Maiestie, the layden
Counsaill, and all the commons in this present Parlyament assembled
bled, doth in goddes name earnestly requyre and charge all the Arch-
bishops, Bishops, and other ordinaries, that they shal enchaunce
them selues to the bestermost of their knowledges, that the due & true
execution hereof may be had through out their diocesse, and charged
as they wyll answer before God, for such cruells and plagues, where-
with almighty God may iustly punyssh his people for neglecting this
good and holysome lawe. And for this authoritie in this behalfe, be
it farther enacted by the authoritie aforesaid, that all and singular the
same Archbishops, Bishops, and all other their officers, exercising
ecclesiastical iurisdiction, aswell in place, as not in place, with
in their diocesse, shal haue full power and authoritie by this acte to
reforme, correct, and punyssh by censures of the Church, al and singu-
lar persones, which shal offende wthin any their iurisdictiones or dio-
cesse, after the sayde tenor of the Statute of Saynte John Baptist
herebefore recorde, agaynst this acte and Statute. Any other lawe, Statute,
priviledge, libertie, or p^{ro}uision heretofore made, had, or used to the
contrary hereto standyng.

AND IT IS ORDEINED and enacted by the authoritie aforesaid
sayde, that all and euerye Iustices of Oyer and Determiner, or Iustices
of Assise, shal haue full power and authoritie in euerye of their open
and generall Sessions, to enquire here and determine al and al ma-
ner of offences, that shal be committed or done contrary to any article,
conteyned in this present Acte, within the lymites of the Commission
to them dyrected, and to make proccesse for the recovery of the same, as
they maye do agaynst any personne beinge indicted before them of trea-
son, or lawfully committed thereof: and he it enacted, by the authori-
tie aforesaid, that all and euerye Archbishops and Bishops, shal or
maye at all tyme and tymes at his libertie and pleasure, iourne and as-
sociate hym selfe, by vertue of this acte, to the sayde Iustices of Oyer
and Determiner, or to the sayde Iustices of Assise, at euerye of the sayd
open and generall Sessions, to be holden in any place within his dio-
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cells for and to the enquiry, hearing and determininge of the offences afore sayd.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the books concerning the sayde Services shall at the costes and charges of the parishioners of every parische and Cathedral Church be attayned and gotten before the sayd feast of the Nativite of Saint John Baptist next following and that all such parishes and Cathedral Churches or other places where the said books shall be attayned and gotten before the said feast of the Nativite of Saint John Baptist shall within three weekes next after the sayd books be attayned and gotten by the said semyer and put the same in his according to this acte.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it enacted by the authority aforesaid, that no person or persons shall at any tyme hereafter, committed or otherwise molested of, or foregoe of the offences above mencioned hereafter to be committed as aunc contrary to this acte, unless he or they be offending, before or after the next generall Sessions to be holden before any such Justices of Assize and Determiner, or Justices of Assize next after any offence committed as aunc contrary to the tenor of this acte.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it enacted and enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all and singuler Lordes of the Parliaments by the third booke above mencioned shall be tried by their peers, and be it enacted and enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the Mayor of London, and all other Mayors, Bachelors, and other head officers of all and singuler Cities, Boroughes, and Townes Corporate within this Realme, Wales, and the marches of the same to the which Justices of Assize do not commonly resorte shall have full power and authority by vertue of this acte to enquire here and determine the offences above sayd, and every of the yerely within xii. dayes after the feast of Easter and the Whitsontide, in like maner and forme as Justices of Assize and Dyer and Determiner shall do.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it ordered and enacted by the authority aforesaid, that all and singuler Archbishops, and Bishops, and everie of their Chancellours, Commissioners, Archdeacons, and other ordinaries, having any peculier ecclesiasticall iurisdiction, shall have full power and authority by vertue of this acte, as well to enquire in their visitation, Synodes, and elsewhere within their iurisdiction at any other tyme and place to take occasions and informations of all and every the things above mencioned, done, committed, or perpetrated within the limits of their iurisdiction, and authority, to punish the same by admonition, excommunication, sequestration, or deprivation, or other such and

this our Realme, not onely to prouyde, but also to preferre and kepe
for vs and our wealthes your royall maiestie, our moste ryghtful and
lawefull Soueraigne liege Lady and Quene, most happely to reigne
ouer vs, for the which we do geue and yelde vnto him from the bot-
tomes of our hartes, our humble thanks, laudes, and prayses. Eue so
there is nothyng that we your sayde subiectes for oure parties can,
may, or ought towarde your highnes, more spynely, enterlye, and
assuredly in the iuritie of our hartes thinke, or with our mouthes de-
clare and confesse to be true, then that your maiestie our sayd Soue-
raigne Lady, is and in verie dede, and of most mere ryghte ought to
be by the lawes of God, and the lawes and statutes of this realme our
most rightfull and lawefull soueraigne liege Lady & Quene. And that
your highnes is rightly, lineally, and lawfully descended, and come of
the bloud royal of this realme of England, in and to whose princelye
person, and the heyres of your body lawfully to be begotten after you,
without all doubt, ambiguitie, scruple, or questio, the imperial & roial
estate, place, crowne, & dignitie of this realme, wth al honours, stiles, titles
dignities, regalities, iuridictions, & preheminences to the same now
belongynge and apperteyning, are and shalbe most fully, rightfully, re-
ally, and entierly intrested & incorporated, vnited & annexed, as right-
fully, and lawefully, to al intentes, constructions, and purposes, as the
same were in the sayd late king Henry the eight, or in the late king Ed-
ward the vi. your highnes brother, or in the late Quene Mary your
highnes sister, at any time since the act of parliament made in þe xxv
yere of the reigne of your said most noble father king Henrye the eight,
entituled: an act concerning the stablishment of the kinges maiesties
succession in the imperyll crowne of this realme. ¶ For which causes
we your said most louing, faithfull, and obediēt subiectes, representing
the thre estates of your realme of England, as therunto constrained
by the law of god and man, except we shuld ouermuch forget our due-
ties to your highnes, and to the heyres of your body lawfully begottē
can no lesse do, but most humbly besech your highnes, that by thaurto
title of this present parliament it may be enacted, establisshed, and de-
clared, that we do recognisse, acknowledge, & confesse the same your
estate, right, title, & successio as is aforesaid, to be in & to your highnes,
and the heyres of your body to be begottē thowoutly, & in þe whole
and in every part thereof in such maner & forme as before is mentioned
declared or confessed, & therunto most humbly & faithfully we do sub-
myt our selves, our heyres & posterities for ever. And further do make
our most hartly and humble petitione vnto your highnes, that it maye
please the same not onely to accept this our sayde recognitiō, but also
our faithfull promises, that we accordinge to oure duties, shall and
will stand to assiste and defende your royall maiestie, and the heyres
of your body to be begotten, beyngē kynges and quenes of this
Realme, and your sayd ryghtes and titles in & to the sayde imperyll

estate, place, crowne, and dignitie in all thinges thereto belonging, at all tymes to thuttermooste of oure possible powers, and therein to spende our bodies, landes, and goodes, agaynste all persons whosoever, that any thynge shall attempte to the contrary.

AND THAT it may be enacted by chauctorite aforesaid, that as well this oure declaration, confession, & recognition, as also the limitation and Declaration of the succession of the imperpall Crowne of this realme, mentioned and conteyned in the sayde Acte made in the sayd xxxv. yere of the reygne of your sayd most noble father, shall stande, remaine, and be the lawe of this realme for ever. And that all sentences, iudgements, and decrees, had, made, declared, set forth, published, and promulged, and also as muche of everie clause, article, branche, matter, or thynge, conteyned and expressed in any acte or actes of parliament, as be in any thynge repugnaunt, contrary, or derogatorye to this our sayde confession, declaration, and recognition, or to any parte or percell thereof, or contrary to the said limitasyon of the succession of the imperpall crowne, establisshed and made by the said acte in the said xxxv. yere of the reygne of the said late king Henry the eighth (by what soever power or auctoritie the same ben, or have ben had or made) shall be utterly frustrate, voyde, and of none effecte. And also shall and may be cancelled, defaced, and put in perpetuall oblivion at youre highnes wylle and pleasure, as if the same had never ben had, made, declared, set forth, published, or promulged.

CAN ACTE for the restitution of the first fructes and tenthes, and rentes reserved nomine Decime, and of parsonages imploppiate to the imperiall crowne of this Realme.

The fourth Chapter.



Whereas your most humble people beseechen your moost excellent maieste, your faithfull and humble subiectes, the Lordes spirituall and temporall, and the Commons of this your realme in this present parliament assembled, that as before in the parliament of your most noble father of famous memory king Henry the eighth, holden at Westmynster upon prologation the thirde daye of November, in the xxxi. yere of his prosperous reigne, it was enacted, ordeyned, and established by chauctorite of the same parliament amongst other thinges, that his highnes, his heires and successors, kinges of this realme, should haue & enjoy from time to time to endure for ever, of every such parson and parsons, which at anye tyme after the first daye of January then next ensuyng, should be nominated, elected, presented, collated, or by any other meanes appoynted

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ted to haue any Archbyschopyke, Byschopyke, Abbacy, Monastery, Wyke, Colledge, Hospitall, Archdeaconry, Deanery, Priouosthypp, Prebend, Parsonage, Vicarage, Chauntrye, free Chappell, or other dignitie, benefice, office, or promotyon spiritual, within this Realme or els where, within any of the kynges dominions, of what name, nature, or qualitie soeuer they were, or to whose foundation, patronage, or gift soeuer they dyd belonge, the fyfte frutes, reuenues, and profits, for one yeare of euery such Archbyschoppicke, Byschoppicke, Abbacy, Monastery, Wyke, Colledge, Hospitall, Archdeaconry, Deanery, Priouosthypp, Prebende, Parsonage, Vicarage, Chauntrye, free Chappell, or other dignitie, benefice, office, or promocion spiritual asorenamed, wherunto any such person or personnes should after the sayd fyft daye of January, be nominated, elected, preferred, presented, collated, or by any other meanes appointed. And that euery such parson and parsons, before any actual or reall possession, or medlinge with the profittes of any such Archbyschoppicke, Byschoppicke, Abbacy, Monastery, Colledge, Hospitall, Deanery, Priouosthypp, Prebende, Parsonage, vicarage, Chauntrye, free Chappell, Wyke, or other dignitie, benefice, office, or promocion spiritual, should satisfye, contente, and pay, or compownde or agre to pay, to the kynges vse, at resonable daies vpon good suerties, the sayd fyft frutes and profittes for one yere. And it was further enacted by aucthoritie aforesayd, that the fyft frutes of benefices, before that tyme accustomed to be payd to the Byschoppe of Northwich, within hys Wycesse, and to the Archdeaconne of Ryche-monde, within his Archdeaconrye, or anye other parson or personnes within this Realme, or anye other the kynges dominions, shuld from the sayd fyft daye of January, cease and be extincte, and no longer be payde but onely to the kynges highnes, his heires and Successors, in suche forme as is before mencioned. And further it was enacted by aucthoritie aforesayd, that the kynges Maiestie, hys heires and successors, for more augmentation, and mainteynaunce of the Royall estate of his imperyall Crowne, shoulde yearely haue, take, enioye, and receyue vnyted and knytte to hys imperyall Crowne for euer, one yearely rent, or pension, amountynge to the valewe of the tenth parte of all the reuenues, rentes, fermes, tythes, offeringes, emolumentes, & of al other profittes, aswell called spirituall as temporall, appertaining or belongynge, or that from thenseforth shoulde belonge to anye Archbyschoppicke, Byschoppicke, Abbacy, Monastery, Wyke, Archdeaconry, Deanery, Hospitall, Colledge, House Collegiate, Prebende, Cathedraall Church, Collegiate church, Conuentual church, Parsonage, vicarage, Chauntrye, freechappell, or other benefyce or promotyon spiritual, of what name, nature, or qualyte soeuer they were, within any Diocese of this Realme or in Wales, & said pention or annal rente, to be yearely payd

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payd for euer, to the sayd late king his heires and Successours, at the feast of the Natiuitie of our Lord God, and the fyist paymente thereof to begynne at the feast of the Natiuitie of our Lord God, which shuld be in the yere of our Lord God a thousand, five hundredes thirtie & five, and to be paid yerely by such as shoulde be appointed to haue & collection therof, before the fyist day of April next folowing, after the said feast of the Natiuitie of our Lord God, as in the sayd acte moze plainely it doth appeare. And where also one other act was made & established in the sayd Parliament, the said .xxvi. yere, that no fermour of Spirituall persons, shoulde be compelled or charged to paye for their leassours fyist frutes or yereley pencion for the tenth graunted vnto the kynges hyghnes, notwithstanding any couenaunte contract, bonde, or other thing made to the contrary, as by the same acte moze plainely appeareth. And where also at one other session of the same Parliament, holden by prorogation at Westmynster, in the .xxvii. yere of the Raygne of your sayd father, one other acte was made and established that the kynges Spirituall Subiectes, shoulde be deducted and allowed of the tenth of their Spirituall promotyons, for that fyist yere for whych they shoulde pay the fyist frutes, as in the same acte also moze at large appeareth. And where also in one other Parliament of the sayde late kyng holden at Westmynster, in the .xxviii. yere of his raygne amongst other thynges, it was enacted and ordeyned, that the yere in which the fyist frutes of euery benefyce and Spirituall promotyon shoulde be payd, shoulde begynne and be accompted immediatly after & aduor-daunce thereof. And that the tythes, commodities, reuerues, casualties, and proffytes thereof (Chauntries onely excepte) in & time of vacation, shoulde belonge and asserre to the nexte incumbente, towardes the paymente of the fyist frutes, as by the same acte, moze at large appeareth. And where also in one other Parliament holden bypon prorogation at Westmynster in the .xxxij. yere of the Raygne of the sayde late kyng, one acte was made and established, that Byschoppes bypon theyr accomptes, of, and for the sayde yereley tenth, shoulde be discharged by theyr othes of payment of such somme or sommes of money, of the sayd annal tent, or tenth, as they could not lawfully leuye, and also an order appointed howe the kyng shoulde be answered of the tenth of any benefice and spiritual promotiō, omitted in the originall or former certificate of benefices and Spirituall promotions, made in the Exchequer, as by the same act last mentioned moze at large appeareth. And where also in the same session and Parliament holden in the sayde .xxxii. yere of the Raygne of your hyghnes sayde noble father, and by auctoritie of the same Parlyamente, one court was erected, established and made for the better answering of the sayd fyist frutes and tenthes, vnto the kyng called the court of
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first fructes and tenthies, as in the same acte of cōsecration thereof more fully appeareth. And where also in the same Session and parliament one other acte was made, whereby the Bysshoppe of Norwiche for the tyme beinge (beinge before that discharged from the Collection of the tenth within his diocesse) should be charged and chargeable for ever, for, and with the collection of the same tenth within his diocesse, and make payment thereof, as other Bysshoppes should or ought to doo, within theyr diocesse, as by the same acte more playnely appeareth. And where also in one other parliament of the sayd late kyng, holden at Westmynster bypon prorogation, in the .xxviii. yere of hys saygne, one acte was establisshed and made concernynge collectours and receivers, to make payment of theyr receiptes within three monethes next after the same shoulde be due, and payde to the kynges use, under certayne penalties therein exprelled, as by the same acte more at large appeareth.

And where also in the same Session and Parlyamente is now enacted and establisshed, that the newe erected Bysshoppes of Chester, Gloucester, Peterborough, Wyndesore, and theyr successors for ever, shoulde paye theyr tenthies reserved bypon theyr letters patentes, or theyr severall erections, onely in the sayde court of the first frutes and tenthies for ever, as by the same acte more at large appeareth. And where also in the parlyament of the sayde late kyng, holden at Westmynster in the .xxv. yere of his reygne, one acte entituled, an acte for the union of Churches, not exceedyng the value of fyve pounde, was establisshed and made, wherein is conteyned a lawunge to the bypge of the first fructes and tenthies of all Churches and Chappels not exceedyng the value of fyve pounde, that then were, or from thensforth shoulde be united and consolidate in one, as in the same acte and lawunge, more largely appeareth. And wher also in the parlyament of our byghnes dearest brother of worthy memorie kyng Edward the fyfte, holden at Westmynster bypon prorogation, in the seconde yere of hys reygne, one acte was made, that by the cōtyfyng of the Bysshoppe of anye diocesse within thys Realme, or anye of the dominions of the same, of recusaunce or none paymente of anye tenth of anye benefyce or spirytual promotion, the incumbence shoulde leave but the benefyce or promotion onely, as by the same acte more playnely appeareth.

And where also in one other parlyamente of the sayde late kyng Edward, holden at Westmynster in the seventh yere of hys reygne, one acte was made and establisshed, declaryng howe and in what sorte the vnder collectours of the tenth in euerye diocesse, appoynted by the Bysshoppe, shoulde be bounde to dyscharge the Bysshoppes of that collectyon, and a lenger daye geuen for the paymente of the

tenth. And howe the King should be answered of the tenth for the time of vacation of euery benefyte and spirytual promotion, and that the paterntes of the collection of tenth, shuld be good onely during the incumbencies of the grauntours, as in the same act moze at large is conteyned.

And where also in the seconde session of parliamente of oure late Soueraigne lady Quene Mary, your maiesties dearest syster, holde at Westminster in the fyfth yere of her reygne, one act was made and establisshed, whereby full power and aucthoritie was geuen and appoynted vnto her highnes at her wyll and pleasure, to alter, chaunge, vnite, transport, dissolue, or determine, alwys the sayd Court of fyfte frutes and tenthes, as the court of augmentations of the reuenues of the kynges crowne, and other courtes therein expressed, and to reduce the same courtes or any of them into one, two, or moze courtes or courtes, or to vnite and annere the said courtes, or anye two or moze of the together, or to any other of her maiesties courtes, of recordes, as to her it shoulde be thought most conuenient and best, for the better, suer, and moze speedy aunsweryng of her perely reuenues, casualties, & profytes then aunswerable in the sayde courtes, or anye of them, as in the same acte moze at large is expressed, by vigo: and aucthoritie of whiche act, the sayd late Quene by her graces. iiii. seuerall letters patentis wherin of two beare date the. xxiii. day of January, in the first yere of her reygne and the other two the. xxiii. daye of February in the same yere, byd not onely dissolue, determine, and extinguishe the sayde Courtes, commonly called and entituled the court of the augmentations and reuenues of the kynges crowne, and the court of the fyfte frutes & tenthes, and the iurisdiction and aucthoritie thereof, but also bydde vnite, transport, and annere the sayd Courtes of augmentations and reuenues of the kynges Crowne, and of the fyfte frutes and tenthes so dissolued to the sayde Courte of the Exchequer, there to be and continue as a member and percell of the same courte of the Exchequer, and bydde appoynte all and synguler the reuenues casualtyes, profytes, and hereditamentes then aunswerable in the sayde courtes, to the order, rule, surueye, and gouernaunce of the sayde courte of the Exchequer, there to be answered and accompted for ever in suche order, manner, and fourme, as in the sayde later letters patentis, and in two Scedules vnto the sayde letters patentis annexed, is mentioned and declared, as by the tenour and purpouse of the sayde letters patentis and Scedules, sigged with her highnes hand, moze playnely maye appeare. By reason of all which sayde premisles, not onely the sayde perpetuall reuenues of the fyfte fruytes and tenthes, graunted by the sayd act in the. xvi. yere of the reygne of your highnes moste noble father, in augmentation & mayntenaunce of the crowne

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Crowne of this Realme, but also the Tenthes, or yearly rentes referred *nomine decime*, by any letters patentes, of youre saide noble father, *Sp* then the said. xxvi. yeare of his Raigne, & of your sayd dearest brother and Syster, or of any of them, made to any Byschoppe, and his successours, or to any Cathedrall Church, Deane and Chapter, College, or any other Ecclesiasticall and Spirituall person or persons, or corporations, and their Successors for euer. And also al and euery the rentes, Reuenues, Issues, and proffytes, of all and singuler Rectoryes, personages, and benefices impropyate, glebe Landes, tythes, oblations, pencions, porcions, and other proffytes, and emolumentes, ecclesiasticall, and spirituall to the same belonging, beyng in the handes and possession of your saide dearest Syster, at the saide. xxiiiij. daye of January, were ordered, aunswerable, and accompted for in the sayde Courte of the Exchequer, & were therein wel and iustly answered and payde, vnto her highnesse and behouise, lyke as the same had bene vnto the sayde two noble kynges, her saide father and brother, by the space of. xx. yeares withoute greife or contradiction of the Prelates and Cleargy of the Realme, to the great ayde, releife, and supportation of the inestimable charges of the Crowne of this Realme, whiche dayly synce the tyme of the makinge of the said first act, haue encreased and growen more and more. Which thinge althoughe the sayde late Quene mought and did manifestly seie and perceaue to be most true: Yet she vpon certayne zealous and inconuenient respectes, not sufficiently, nor polittikely inough waying that matter, nor hauing deuoted consideration and regard to the maintenaunce and byholdynge and good contynuaunce of the State of the Imperyall Crowne of this Realme, in Succession, which rather neded an augmentation, then any diminucyon, procured and willed an Acte of Parlyament, to be made and prouyded in the second and thirde yeares of the Reygne of kyng Phylippe her late husbände, and her, that all paymentes of the sayde first frutes, shoulde from thenceforth cease and be clearelye extinct and determined for euer. And that aswell all the said benefices, and spirituall promotions, as the possessours, oweners, and incumbentes thereof, & theyr Successors, shoulde from and after the. viij. day of August, in the said second and third yeares, and so from thensforth at all tymes for euer, be clearelye exonerate, acquitted and dyscharged agaynst the sayd late kyng Phylippe and Quene Marye, her heires and Successours, of and from the payment and paymentes of al and euery the sayde first frutes, in as ample and large maner and fourme as they were before the makinge of the sayd Acte, of the first and original graunt thereof, in the sayde. xxvi. yeare of the Raygne of the sayde late kyng your noble father, and as though the same had neuer bene had ne made. And further that neyther the sayd perpetual C.ij. pencion

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Pencion, annall rente, or tenth, graunted by the sayde fyrste acte of the xxvi. yere of the said noble kyng Henrye. And also the sayde seuerall annall Renthes, or tenthes, reserued *nomine decime*, by and vpon the sayde seuerall Letters Patentes, of the sayd late kyng and Queene, made to Spirituall persones and corporations as is aforesaide, or anye of them, from and after the feast of Saynt Michell Tharchaungel, the last past, should any moze be payde or payable vnto the said late kyng Phylippe and Queene Marye, her heires or Successors, but that aswell all the sayde Archbyschoppes, Byschoppes, and other benefices, dignities, Deanes, and Chapters, Colleges, Corporations, and Spirituall promotions aforesayde, as also the possessours, owners, proprietaries and incumbentes of the same, and theire Successours, from and after the sayde feast of Saynte Michell Tharchaungel, shoulde be clearelye exonerate, acquitted and discharged of, and from the payment thereof, agaynst them, and the heires and Successours, of the same late Queene for euer. And furthermore that the sayde late kyng Phylippe and Queene Marye, her heires or Successours from and after the laide feast of Saynte Michaell Tharchaungell, should not receiue, perceiue, take and enioye any the Issues, reuenues, profittes, or comodities of the sayd rectories, personages, benefices, glebe landes, tythes, oblatyons, petycions, portions, and other proffytes, and emolumentes, Ecclesiasticall and Spirituall aforesayd, or of anye of them, or of the reuercion or reuercions of them, or any of them, but in and by the sayd acte, the same late king and Queene, clearelye gaue ouer, renounced and relinquished aswell the sayde rectories, personages, benefices, glebe landes, tythes, oblatyons, pencyons, porcyons and other proffytes and emolumentes, Ecclesiasticall and Spirituall aforesayd, and euery of them, and the reuercion and reuercyons of them, and euery of them. And al their right, title, vse, interest, and demaunde of, in, or to the same, from them and the heires and successors of the sayd late Queene for euer, as also the sayde perpetuall pencyon, Annall rente and Tenth, and also the sayde yereleye Renthes, reserued *nomine domine*, vpon the sayde seuerall Letters Patentes, and all theyr ryght, title, and interest, which they or either of them, or the heires or successors of the said late Queene, had or mought haue had, in or to the same. The same yereleye pencyon, tenthes, yereleye renthes, personages, emolumentes, and proffytes, to be perceyued, taken, receyued, counted, employed, bled, and disposed by the late reuerende father in God, Reginalde Poole, late Cardinal and Legate, and suche other parsons as he shoulde name and appoynt, and suche other as bene speciallye limited in the sayd acte, to and for certayne vses, purposes and intentes mentioned in the same acte, with diuers prouisions, and a sauynge in the same expessed and conteyned, as by the same moze at large

large appeareth.

We poure saide humble and obedyent subiectes, the Lordes spiritual & temporal, & commons in this your p[re]sent parliament assembled, calling to our remembrance the huge innu[m]erable & inestimable charges of the royal estate, and imperia[l] Crowne of this Realme, & howe the same is lefte unto poure Maestie, at this your first entrie thereunto, greatly diminished, as well by reason of the said acte made in the sayde second and thirde yeare of the said king Phylip and Quene Mary, as otherwise, do concerne at the botome of our hartes, greute sorowe and heynes, as subiectes carefull for their naturall and liege Soueraigne Lady, by whome dependeth & suretie, wouldeye for, & welth of us all. And being no lesse affected towarde your Maesties moste royal person & the preservation and maintenance of the same, and of the estate and succession of your Maesties said Crowne, then were the first grauntoys of the said first frutes and tenthes, towarde your highnes most noble father, & his said royall estate, at the tyme of the said graunt to him thereof made, do accompt of very righte and good congruence no lesse then oure mooste bounden dewtie, to moue your highnes and therewith most humbly to besech the same, that & greute superfluous and decay committed and done to the crowne & estate royal of this your Realme and the succession thereof, by reason of the sayde acte made in the said second and thirde yeares of the reigne of the sayde king Phylip and Quene Mary, may at this Parliamente be reformed and auoyded. And that with your highnes sayd, and roiall assent, it may be enacted, ordeined, established, & provided by auctoritie of this Parliament, in maner & forme hereafter ensuing. That is to say, that the sayde acte made in the second & thirde yeares of the reigne of the said late king Phylip & Quene Mary, and al articles, clauses, & sentences therein contained, shalbe from & after the first daye of this present Parliament, utterly & clearely repealed, made void & of no force ne effecte. And al auctorities & liberties, graunted, limited, and appointed in & by the saide acte, to the sayde late Cardinall Boole, or made or derpyed by force, strength, or colour of the same Acte, by or from the sayd late Cardinall, to anye other person or persons, bodies politike or corporate, to cease and be utterly void & determined. And that the said first frutes and al paymentes thereof, from and after the said first daye of this parliament, shalbe reuined and haue their being and continuance againe, and be deuied and adiudged to all intents, constructions, & purposes, in the Quenes highnes most roial person, her heires & successors, and vniued, & annexed to the imperia[l] crowne of this Realme, of and in such lyke, and the same estate, interest, cytle, qualitie, sorte, degree, and condition, & in as ample maner & beneficiall manner and forme as the same was or were in the person or possessey.

on of the sayd late Quene Mary, at and before the sayde viij. daye of August, in the said acte of extinguishment mentioned and expressed. The same acte of extinguishment or any letters patentes, or any other matter or thing had, done or suffered by the sayd late Quene, to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And also that as well so much of the sayd perpetual and annall rentes and pencion, graunted by the sayd acte made in the sayde xxij. yeare of the reygne of the sayde late kynge Henry the viij. as also so much of the sayde yearelye rentes, reserved upon the sayde severall letters patentes, *nomine decime*, and also so many of the sayde rectories, personages, and benefices improprieate, glebe landes, tythes, oblatyons, pencionis, portions, and other profytes, and emolumentes, ecclesiasticall and spirituall aforesayd, and the reuercion and reuercions thereof. And all rentes, emolumentes, and profytes, incident to the same, as were in the handes and possession of the sayde late Quene Mary, at and before the sayd viij. daye of August, shal from the feast of Saint Michaele Churchaungell laste past, be bested, adiudged and demed actuallye and really, in the Sealne and possession of oure sayde Soueraygne Lady Quene Elizabeth, her heires and Successours, to all intents, constructions, and purposes, of, and in such tyke and the same estate, interest, order, degree, qualite, sorte, and condycion, and as fully, holy, largely, and beneficially as the same were in the Sealne and possession of the sayd late Quene Mary, at and before the same viij. daye of August. And that as well the sayd fyft frutes & tenthes and the order thereof, as also the sayde annall rentes, reserved *nomine decime*, and the sayde rectories, personages, benefices, glebe Landes, tythes, oblatyons, pencionis, portions, and other profytes, and emolumentes, Ecclesiasticall and spirituall aforesayd, and euery of them and the reuercion and reuercions of them, and of all rentes and profytes, vnto the same or anye of them incidente or belongynge, shalbe within the sayd order, suruey, rule and gouernance of the said courte of Cherthequer, in euery degree, sorte, and condition as they were (at and) before the sayde viij. daye of August, the sayde acte, made in the sayde Second and thyrde yeares, for any other matter or thing to the contrary thereof notwithstanding. And that so much of all and euerye the sayde actes and Statutes, fyft recited, or of anye other acte, or Statute, touchyng or concerning the order, leuyng true answerynge and paymente or qualyfication of the sayde fyfte frutes and tenthes, and of the sayd rectories, personages, and benefices improprieate, and of the rentes, revenues, emolumentes, and profytes thereof, and of all other the pemysses, and also the charge dyscharge, or alteration of them, or anye of them, or anye matter or thyng in anye

wherofoundryge or tending thereunto, which were standing and be-
 pinge in force, effect, and vntrepealed at and before the sayde viij. daye
 of August (except onely the said actes of the erecting of the Courtes
 of augmentations and firstfrutes and tenthes) shalbe continye and
 continye in their full and perfect strengthes and forces, and be obli-
 ged and put in dewe execution, according to the tenors and purpors
 of the same, and of euery of them. And that the Queenes Maiestie
 her heyres and Successours, by auctoritie of this presente Parlia-
 ment, shal from the sayd iij. day of this presente Parliament, haue
 holde, possede, and enioye for ever the aduousons, gyses, and patro-
 nages of all bycattages belongyng or incident to any of the said recto-
 ries, and personages improprie, in the same sort, qualite, condyci-
 on and Degree, to all intentes and purposes, as the same were in the
 person and possession of the said late Quene Mary, at and before the
 sayde iij. day of August. Ande thynge or acte done by the same late
 Cardinal, or anye graunte or grauntes by letters patentes made by
 the sayd late Quene Mary, of the sayde aduousons and patronages,
 or any of them to any Ecclesiastical or Sperrytual parson or parsons,
 or any Sperrytuall copporation to the contrarie in any wyse notwith-
 standyng.

Ande shal pinge to all and euery person and personnes, bodys poly-
 tike and Corporate, and theyr heyres, executors, Successours, and
 assignes and euery of them, other then such parsons as be mentyoned
 and named, in any letters patentes, made by the said Quene Marye,
 the sayde iij. day of August, or at any tyme sithen, or clamyng onely
 by or under thaurthorpyte and strength of the same acte, or letters
 patentes, or anye of them, all such the ryghte, tittle, interest, estate, offi-
 ces, callies, grauntes, annuities, pencyons, fees, corrodies, rentes,
 and other yeaerlye profyttes and commodities as they or anye of
 them, ought or shoulde haue hadde perceyued or enioyed, of, in, or by
 reasonne of anye the parsonages, Rectories, or of anye other the pre-
 myses, in case the sayde former acte now repealed, and this presente
 Acte of repeale hadde neuer bene hadde ne made, Ande thynge in the
 same Actes or anye of them conteyned or so wondyng to the contra-
 ry thereof in any wyse notwithstanding.

AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED WITH AVETHO-
 ritie afore sayde, that from and after the sayde feast of Saynt My-
 chael Tharchaungell last past, and soo from thensforth from tyme to
 tyme, the sayde pencyons, annuities, rentes, corrodies, fees, and other
 yeaerlye paymentes, shalbe payde and payable onely by our sayde so-
 ueraygne Ladye, her heyres, and Successours, at the recrypte of
 the Exchequer, or in suche other places as the Queenes Maiestie her
 heyres and Successours shal appoynt to al & euery person & persons,
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that ought to haue and enioye the same in such sorte, or by and forme as the same should or ought to haue bene paid and payable in case the saide acte now repealed, had neuer bene had or made. Any thinge therin, or els in this acte contained to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it further enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that all singular incumbentes, proprietyes, tenants, sermons, leasors, and occupiers of the premises, or any parte thereof, their heires, executors, and assignes, which the sayd first day of this presentes Parliament were behinde, or in any arreages of and with the reues, sermes, tenthes, or other revenues, profits, or duties, by them or anye of them, due and payable for or by reason of the premises, or anye of them, shall and maye be by thauthorite of this acte lawfully chargeable accomptable and answerable to the Quenes Maestie her heires and Successours, in & at the said court of the Exchequer, or and for the same arreages & duties, as other accomptantes ben and shalbe in the same Courte. Any thinge in the said acte, now repealed in this acte, or any other matter or cause to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And yet neuerthelesse the Quenes most excellente Maestie, at the humble request of her said subiectes, of her aboundant grace, and bountefulnes, is pleased & contented that it be enacted by thauthorite aforesayd, that all singular byearages, not exceedinge the yearelye value of ten poundes, after the rate and value upon the recordes and booke of the rates & values for the first frutes and tenthes, now remaining in the Exchequer, or that shall hereafter come & remaine in the same Courte. And also al singular parsonages, not exceedinge the yearelye value of ten markes, after the like rate & valuation, and the incumbentes thereof, & of euery of them, their executors, administrators, successors, & sureties, and euery of them, from the said feast of Michael Tharchaungell last past, shalbe free & clerely discharged, and acquitted for ever, agaynst the Quenes Maestie, her heires & Successours, of & from the said first frutes. Any thing in the sayd acte of first frutes & tenthes, made in the sayd xvi. yeare of the reigne, of the sayd late king Henry theight, or in this acte, of repeale, or anye other acte or actes before recited to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

PROVIDED ALWAYES and be it enacted by thauthorite aforesayd, that if any incumbent of anye suche promotion spiritual as is aforesayd, charged or chargeable to the payment of & said first frutes happen to liue to the end of one halfe yeare next after & last anniuersarye of the same promotion spiritual, so as he hath receiued or without fraude or couyn myghte lawfullye haue receiued or enioyed & vnties or profits of that halfe yeare, And before the end of the other halfe yeare then

then next following, shall happen to die, or to be lawfully evicted, removed or put from the said promotion spiritual, by iudgment in any action at the common lawe, without fraude or couyn. That then every such incumbent his heires, executors, administrators and sureties, shall be charged & chargeable but onely with the fourth parte of the first frutes due to be paid for such his promotion, and with no more of the said first frutes. Any thing in this acte conteyned, or any bonde or writing to be made for the payment of the sayd first frutes, or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding.

AND IF IT SHALL happen any such incumbent to live by the space of one hole yeare next after the last aduoidaunce of the same promotion spiritual, & after before the end of one halfe yeare then next following, shall fortune to die, or to be lawfully evicted, removed or put from the sayd promotion spiritual, by iudgment in any action at the common lawe, without fraude or couyn. That then every such incumbent, his heires, executors, administrators and sureties, shall be charged and chargeable but onely with the moitie and one halfe of the first frutes due to be paid, for such his promotion spiritual, and with no more of the same first frutes. Any thing in this acte conteyned, or any bonde or writing, obligatorie to be made for the payment of the same first frutes, or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding.

AND IF IT SHALL happen any such incumbent to live to the end of one hole yeare and a halfe, next after the last aduoidaunce of such promotion spiritual, and after and before the end of fyve monethes then next following, shall fortune to dye, or to be lawfully evicted, removed, or put from the sayde promotion spiritual by iudgment in any action at the common lawe, without fraude or couyn, that then every such incumbent his heires, executors, administrators, and sureties shall be charged and chargeable but onely with three partes of the first frutes of the same promotion spiritual in foure partes to be deuided & with no more. Any thing in this acte conteyned, or any bond or writing, obligatorie, had or made for the payment of the said first frutes, or any other matter or cause to the contrary notwithstanding.

AND IF IT shall happen any such incumbent to live to the end of two hole yeares, next after the last aduoidaunce of the same promotion spiritual, and not to be lawfully evicted, removed or put from the same promotion spiritual as is aforesaid, that then every such incumbent his heires, executors, administrators, and sureties shall content & paye to our sayde Soueraygne Ladye the Quene, her heires & successors, the hole first frutes due to be paid for the same promotion spiritual, according to the estatutes aforesayde.

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PROVIDED ALSO and be it enacted that all grauntes, immunities and Liberties, given to the vniuersities of Cambridge, and Oxforde, or to any Colledge or Hall, in either of the sayd vniuersities, and to the Colledges of Eton and Winchester, and vnto every or any of them by our late Soueraygne Lorde kyng Henry theight, or anye other of the Quenes highnes progenitors or predecessors, or by acte of Parlyament, for or touchyng the releafe or discharge of the sayde fyist frutes and Tenthes, or anye parte thereof, shalbe alwayes and remayne in their full strength and vertue. And that all such lawefull conueyaunces and assuraunces in the lawe, as were hadde or made befoze the makynge of this acte, to either of the sayde vniuersities of Oxforde and Cambridge, or to any Colledge, or Hall, within anye of them, by what name or names soeuer they or anye of them be incorporated or named, of any of the sayd personages, or benefices impropriate, or of any parte of the same, or of any patronages, for the mayntenaunce of studentes, or learnynge, shalbe as good and effectuell in the lawe, to all intentes constructions, and purposes, as though this acte, had neuer bene made.

AND BE IT further enacted by thauthourtye aforesayde, that the Deane and Canong of the free Chappell, of Saynt George the Martyr, within the Castell of Wyndesore, & all the possessions, and hereditamentes, of the same free Chappell, Deanerye and Canons, by whatsoeuer name or names they be incorporated, or knowen, shalbe exonerated and shall stand for ever, discharged of the Tenthes and fyist frutes, befoze mentioned. Any thyng in this acte, or in any other acte or Statute befoze mentioned to the contrarie thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

PROVIDED ALSO and be it enacted that all Leases, made befoze the xx. day of December last past, for xxi. yeares, or thre lynes at the most by any parson or parsons bodies politike or corporate, being lawefully Sealed, of, or in any of the sayd personages impropriate, or of, or in any other the premises wont commonly to be let, or set to ferme, then being out of lease, or whereof there was not at the time of the makynge of the sayd lease or leases, any former lease to endure aboute one yeare then to come at the mooste. And vpon which new lease or leases, the olde yearely rente, accustomedly wont to be paid, for the same, by the space of xx. yeares last befoze the makinge of suche lease or leases, or moze yearely rent is reserued and payable, duringe the sayde tearme, and all other lawefull grauntes, by them or anye of them heretofore made of any office or offices, in olde tyme, wont commonly to be graunted, and all gyftes and grauntes of any personage or personages impropriate, heretofore belongyng to the Arche-deaconrye of Welles, in the Countye of Somerssette, or to the incumbent

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benefits of the same office of dignitie of curie in ambent of the same
 benefices given and received shall bee as good and effectual in the
 lawe as though they were actually given and received had
 not bene had or made.

And be it further enacted by the aforesayde that
 the sayde Archdeacones, and all Rectors and Spiritual promotions
 given, assigned, limited or appointed to the same. And all
 and every incumbents and vicars and others who shall be
 presented, collated preferred and admitted into the sayde Archdeacon
 congre and the Rectors and Spiritual promotions thereunto
 limited and appointed, of whatever age and condition be
 made, remaine, and bee charged and chargeable to the payment
 of the said Rectors and Vicars for the same to the Queenes high-
 nes her heirs and Successors, in any way maner and forme
 as other Spiritual promotions, and the incumbents of the
 same, be and shall be charged and chargeable by the acte, or by any
 other acte or statute before made.

PROVIDED alwayes and be it further enacted by the auctho-
 rity aforesayde, that so manie of the sayde Rectors, parsona-
 ges, and Benefices impropriate, Glebe Landes, Tythes, Oblaty-
 ons, pentions, portions, and other profits and emolumentes ec-
 clesiastycall and Spiritual, and everie of theym, and the reuer-
 tyon and revenues of the same, shall be paid and payed vnto the
 same or any of them incumbers or belonging as were at and before
 the sayde eighth daye of Auguste, in the handes or possessiones of the
 sayde late Queene Marye, and within the surueye, rule, and order
 of the Courte of the Duchye of Lancastre, shall be agayne within
 the order, surueye, rule and governments of the sayde Courte, in
 suche and the same maner and forme to all intents and purposes
 as they were at and before the sayde eighth daye of August, in the
 sayde first and third yeares of the Maygne of the sayde late Kinge
 and Queens, any thing in this behalf in the sayde Acte of the same
 late Kinge and Queens to the contrarye thereof in any thing not-
 withstanding.

And be it further enacted by the auctho-
 rity aforesayde, that no person nor persons, presen-
 ted, instituted, or inducted at any tyme (whether the first daye of
 the present parliament, or that shall be presented, instituted,
 or inducted after the first daye of the present parliament of
 James first, next commynge to us, the sayde Spiritual, or
 Ecclesiastycall promotions, chargeable to or with the payment
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of the fyist fruytes of one yeares profytes of suche promotyon, shall incurre anye penaltie or forfeyture, by entrynge into anye of the sayd fyist fruytes, or Ecclesiastically promotyons, or by takinge the profytes thereof, for the non paymente or not compoundynge, of or for the sayd fruytes thereof, soe that he or anye other for him, shall and doo, compounde for the same fyist fruytes, accordynge to the true meaning of the statute before the sayde feast of the Natyvitie of S^{te} John Baptist, any thyng in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Also, that this Acte or anye thyng therein contayned, shall not in any wyse extende to charge anye hospital founded and used, and the possession thereof employed to, and for the reliefe of poore people, or anye Schoole or Schooles, or the possession or revenues of them, or any of them, with the payement of anye Tenthes or fyist fruytes.

Any thyng in this acte before mentyoned to the contrary in anye wyse notwithstanding.

AN ACTE whereby certayne offences be made Treason.

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WHERE IN THE Parliaments holden at Westmynster the twelfe daye of November in the seconde yere of the reigne of the late quene Marce, Syter vnto our mooste gratyous Soueraygne Ladye the Queenes Maiestie that nowe is there was one Acte or statute made for the better suretye and preseruation of the sayde late Quene, entytuled : **In this Acte whereby certayne offences be made Treason**

treasons, as by the same here more at large doth appear. And for as
much as the very wordes and sentences of the said Statute, doe ex-
tende no further but vnto the sayde late Queene Marye, and the he-
yres of her bodye, therefore if any such like offence as be mencioned
and contayned within the sayde Statute, shoulde hereafter happen to
be committed against the sayde Soueraygne Ladye that now is, as
there were no due remedye, or conuynient punishment provided for the
same.

In consideration wherof, and to the intents that the malice
of wyched and elyph doers maye the better be restrained by the con-
dyng of the effecte and benefite of the matters conteyned in the said
statute, to oure mooste deare Soueraygne Ladye that now is, and
for the more suretie and preferuacion of her hyghnes to all estate; be
it enacted by the Quenes mooste excellent Maestie, with the assente
of the lordes spirytuall and temporall, and the commons in the par-
liamente assembled, and by the authoritie of the same; that
if anye personne or personnes after the fyfth daye of Maye nexte to
come, maliciouslye, aduisedlye, and dyrectlye, compass or ima-
gine to depriue the Quenes maestie that now is, or the heyres of her
bodye to be begotten, beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, from
the Style, honoure, and kyngedome of the Imperyll Crowne of
this Realme, or from any other the reuynes and dominions whiche our
sayde Soueraygne Ladye appertaynyng and belongynge, or to de-
stroye the Quenes maestie that now is, or any the heyres of her bodye
beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, or to leaue dwelle within this
realme, or within any marches or dominions to the same belonnyng
against the quenes maestie that now is, or any the heyres of her bodye
beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, or to depole the quenes ma-
iestie that now is, or any the heyres of her bodye beyng kynges or
quenes of this realme, from the imperyll crowne of the realmes and
dominions aforesayde, and the same compasses, or imaginations, or
any of them, maliciouslye, aduisedlye, and dyrectlye, that by no better by open
preachynge, expresse wordes or saynges, or if any person or personnes
after the sayde fyfth daye of Maye nexte comynge, shall maliciouslye
aduisedlye, and dyrectlye saye publyche, declare, saye, or holde
opinion that the quenes maestie that now is durynge her lyfe, is not,
or ought not to be quene of this Realme, or after her death that the
heyres of her hyghnes bodye, beyng kynges or quenes of this realme
of right ought not to be kynges or quenes of this realme, or that any
other person or persons, other then the quenes hyghnes that now is
durynge her life ought to be kyng or quene of this realme, or any other
the realmes or dominions aforesayd, or after her death other then the
heyres of her bodye beyng kynges or quenes of this realme, as long

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that now is, ought not to haue and enioy the style, honour and king-
ly name of this realme, or that any person or personnes other then the
Quenes maiestie that now is, ought to haue or enioy the style, ho-
noure, and kyngly name of this realme, or that the Quenes maiestie
that now is during her lyfe, is not, or ought not to be Quene of this
realme, or after her death that the heyres of her highnes bodye beyng
kynges or Quenes of this realme, of right ought not to haue and en-
ioy the imperial Crowne of this realme, or that any person or persons
other then the quenes maiestie that now is during her life, or after
her death other then the heyres of her bodye begotten, beinge kynges
or quenes of this realme, as longe as any of her sayd heyres of her bo-
dy shall be in lyfe, of ryght ought to haue & enioy the imperiall crowne
of this realme, that then euerye such offence and offences shall be ad-
iudged hygh treason, and the offendour and offendours therein, their
abbettours, procurers, and counsaylours and al and euerye theyr ap-
poyntours and comforters, knowynge the sayde offences or anye of them
to be done, beyng thereof lawfully convicted or attaynted by the la-
wes of this realme, shall be demed and adiudged hygh traytours, and
shall suffer paynes of death, and lose and forsaite al theyr goodes and
cattelles, landes and tenementes to the Quenes maiestie, her heyres
and successours, as in cases of hygh treason by the lawes of this realme
at this day of ryght ought to be lost and forfeited.

Sauynge to euery person and persons, bodies politike and corpo-
rate, theyr heyres and successours (other the the offendours and theyr
heyres and such person and persons as clayme to anye of theyr bles-
sings) all suche ryghtes, tytles, interestes, possessions, leases, rentes, reuert-
ions, offices, and other profytes, whiche they or anye of them shall haue
at the daye of the commyttinge suche treasons, or at anye tyme afoze,
in as large and ample maner, as yf this acte had neuer bene hadde nor
made.

Wherby alwayes, and be it declared and enacted by the
auctoritie aforesayde, that concealement or herryng secreete of anye
hygh treasons, be demed and taken onely myshippson of treason, and
the offendours therein to forfeit and suffer, as in cases of misprision of
treason hath heretofore ben vsed, any thinge aboue mentioned to the
contrary notwithstanding.

Wherby also, that yf it shall fortune hereafter anye of the
peeres of this Realme to be indited of anye the offences made trea-
son, or myshippson of treason by this acte, that then the same Peeres
or Peere so beyng indyted, shall be putte to aunswere to euerye
suche indytemente before the hyghe Stewarde of Englande for
the tyme beyng, and to haue hys and theyr tryall of hys and theyr
Peeres, and to receaue and haue such lyke iudgement, vpon the same
tryall

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bydon the same tryall of his or theyr peeres, or make open confessions of the same offence or offences, as is vsed in other cases of hyghe treason.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that no person or persons shall in any wyse be impeached for any of the offences abovesayde committed onely by open preachynge or wordes, onlesse the offendour or offendours be thereof indicted within sixe monethes next after the same open preachynge or wordes, anye thyng mentioned in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provyded alwayes, that the counsaylours, procurers, comforters, and abettours mentioned in this acte, for his or theyr fyrst offence shall suffer lyke punishment, penaltie, and forfeyture, as is conteyned in this acte agaynst the principall offendours for theyr fyrst offence, and none other. And that the counsaylours, procurers, comforters, and abettours, for his or theyr seconde offence, shall sustayne lyke punishment, penaltie, and forfeyture, as is conteyned in this acte agaynst the pyncypall offendoure or offendours for theyr seconde offence, and none other.

Provyded alwayes, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that no person or persones shalbe hereafter indicted or arraigned for any offence or offences made treason, or misprision of treason, by this acte, onlesse the same offence and offences of treason and misprision of treason aforesayd, be proued by the testimony, deposition, and othe of two lawefull and sufficient wytnesses, at the tyme of his and theyr inditement, whiche sayde wytnesses also at the tyme the arraignment of the party so indyted (yf they be then lyvinge) shalbe brought forthe in personne before the party so arraigned, face to face, and there shall swowe and openly declare all they can saye agaynst the sayde partye so indyted, onlesse the sayde partye so indyted, shall wyllynglye without byolence confesse the same.

An Acte for the explanation of the statute of seditious wordes and rumours.

The. vij. Chapter.



Here in the Parllamente holden at Westminster, the .xxi. day of November, in the fyft and second yeares of the Reygnes of the late kyngc Phylipp and Queene Mary (syfter vnto our Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes hyghnes that now is) and there continued and kept, vntyll the .xvi. daye of Januarie then next ensuyng, there was one acte of Statute then and there made, entituled, an acte agaynste seditious wordes and rumours, whiche acte was then made to endure to the ende of the nexte Parllament. And after in the next parllament holden at Westminster the .xxi. daye of October, in the second and thyrde yeares of the reygnes of the sayde late kyng and quene, and there continued vntill the .ix. daye of October then next folowynge, the sayd statute was then further continued vntill the last daye of the next parllamente. And after in one other parllament holden at Westminster the .xx. daye of January, in the .iiii. and .v. yeares of the reygnes of the sayd late kyngc and Queene, and there continued vntill the .vii. daye of Marche then nexte folowynge, the sayde acte and statute was then and there further continued, reuiued and enacted, to stande and be in full force and strength vnto the laste daye of the nexte parllamente. In whiche acte (amonges other thynges) certayne punishmente is prouyded for suche personnes as should malyciously utter or speake anye false, seditious, and sclaunderous newes, rumours, or tales of the sayde late kyngc and Queene, as by the same acte and statute more at large it doth and may appeare.

And for as much as the sayde acte and statute sithen the makinge therof hath bene proued to be a very good and necessary lawe, for due correction and punishment of such light and euyl disposed personnes, as misdoe seditiously and spread abroad verye false and sclaunderous rumours and tales, to the greate disturbaunce of the common tranquillitie of this realme. And for that it is doubtfull whither the sayde statute, and the wordes and sentences of the same, extend anye further then onelye to the sayde late king and Queene, and whither the same statute geue anye remedy agaynst suche persons as shal malyciously utter or speake anye false, seditious, and sclaunderous rumours, newes or tales agaynst our Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes hyghnes that now is or not. For remedy wherof, and for a plaine declaration and explanation of the sayde former acte, be it therfore declared ordeined, and enacted by thauthortie of this present parllament, that the said acte and statute made in the said fyft and second yeares of the reygnes of the sayd late kyng and Queene, and continued as is aforesayd, and al and euerye byaunche, article, wordes, sentences, clauses, prouisions, and thynges therein contained, shal from henceforth by thauthortie of this present parllament be expounded, iudged, taken, and

demed in all thinges to extend to the Quenes highnes that now is, as fully and largely, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as though the same acte had by expresse wordes extended to the heyres and successours of the sayd late queene, anye question, ambiguitie, or doubt, growen, sen, or made, or hereafter happenynge to growe, ryle, or to be moued to the contrary, in any thing notwithstanding. And that all and euerye personne & personnes, whych hereafter shall maliciously utter or speake anye false, seditious, or slanderous newes, rumours, sayinges, or tales of the Quenes hyghnes that now is, or of the heyres of her bodye, beyng kynges or Quenes of thys realme, or shall commit or do anye choffences expressed in the said act, against our sayd Soueraygne Lady the Quene that now is, or the heyres of her bodye being kynges or quenes of this Realme, and beinge thereof convicted or attaynted accordyng to the fourme and order in the sayde former acte expressed, shall from hencefoorth incurre suche paynes and penaltie, and haue such and the same tryall, iudgemente, and punishment for the same offences, as in the sayde acte is limited and appointed, and accordyng to the fourme, tenour, and effecte, of the same act, and none other wyse.

An Acte to reuue a statute made in the .xiii. yeare of the reigne of kyng Henry theight, touchyng the conueyinge of Horses, geldinges, and mares into Scotland.

The .viii. Chapter.



Here in the Parlyament holden at London the third daye of Nouember, in the one & twentye yeare of the reygne of the late kyng of most worthy memory king Henry theight, and from thence adiourned and proroged to Westminster, and ther continued by diuers prorogations, vntil the .xv. day of January in the .xiii. yeare of the reygne of the sayd late king, amonges other thinges ther was one acte or statute made, whereby the sellynge, exchaungynge, or deliuer (of any horses geldinges, or mares into Scotland, by any Englyshe man, shoulde be felonye, which acte or statute is entituled, an acte that no Englyshe man shoulde sell, exchaunge or deliuer to be conueied into Scotland any horse, gelding, or mare, without the kinges licence, as bi the same act and Statute moze at large it doth and may appeare. And although the same estatute was a very good and necessary lawe for the maintenaunce of the strength of this realme, and for the due preferuation of thestate of the same, yet the said statute by certayne actes of repeale made, as wel in the tyme of the late kyng Edward

ward the syxt, as also in the time of the late quene Mary, was by certayne general wordes repealed and made void, by reason wherof, diuers wicked & euyl disposed parsons, haue of late time for theyr owne pryuate gayne, conueyed diuers houses, geldinges, and mares out of this realme into Scotland, to the gret strength and boldening of the Scotische, and much to the detriment and hinderance of this realme.

Wherefore be it enacted by the quenes most excellent maiestie with the assent of the lordes spiritual and tempoꝛal, and the commons of this present parliament assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, that the sayd acte and statute made in the sayd. xliii. yeare of the reygne of the sayd late kyng Henry the eighth, and all and every braunche, sentences, articles, wordes, matters, and clauses therein conteyned, shal from the fyrst day of May next commyng, stand, remayne, and continue in full force and strength, to al intentes and purposes, as fully and as wholly as euer the same was at any time heretofore, any acte or statute of repeal, or anye other matter or cause whatsoeuer to the contrarye notwithstanding.

An Acte touchyng Shoemakers and Curryours.

The. ix. Chapter.



Here at a parliament holden at Westminster bypon prorogation the. xv. day of Aprill, in the. vi. yere of the reign of our late soueraine lord king Edward the sixt, brother to the quenes maiestie, it was enacted amongst other thinges, agaynst regratours of tanned leather, that no person or persons, of what estate, degree, or condition so euer he or they be, shall buye, ingrosse, or caule to be bought or ingrosed, anye kinde of tanned leather, to thintent to sel the same againe, sayyng only sadlers, gyrdelers, corde wayners, and all other artificers, whiche shall make there of anye kynd of wares to be sold, as by the same act more playnely at large maye appeare. which acte was in the parliament holde at Westminster the second day of Apryl, in the fyrst yeare of the reygne of our late soueraigne lady Quene Mary, repeled, made void, & of none effect. And one other act was then made intituled, touchyng the buyinge and curryinge of leather. The repealyng of which acte, as experience hath sithen taught vs, hath brought Shooes, bootes, males, saddels, and all other kind of wares made of tanned leather to gret and vnrasonable prynces, to the bndoyng of a gret number of the quenes maiesties poore subiectes.

For refoꝛmarcon wherof be it ordeined, enacted & established by the quenes maiestie, the lordes spiritual & tempoꝛal, & the commons of this present parliament assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, that

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that the foresayd statute made in the .vi. yere of the reygne of the said late kynge Edward the fyrte. and intituled, agaynst all regratours of tanned leather, and euery attycle, byaunche, sentence, and claufe therein conteyned, shalbe reuyned, and stande in effecte from the fyrst daye of Apryll nexte comynge, in as full force, strength and effecte, as though the foresayde acte made in the seconde daye of Apryll, in the fyrst yere of quene Maryes reygne, touchynge the buyng and curryinge of leather, wherby the sayd former act is repeated, had neuer ben had nor made.

And be it also enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that the sayde statute and acte made in the fyrst yere of quene Maryes reygne, lytter to the quenes maiestie, entytuled, an acte touchynge the buyng and curryinge of leather, and euery byaunche, sentence, and article therein conteyned, shal from the sayd fyrst daye of Apryll not stande, but be utterly repealed, and be of no force nor strength, anpe claufe, sentence, or article therein conteyned to the contrary in any wise not withstanding.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that when and asoften as any Shomaker or his deputye doth buyng any leather sufficiently tanned to any curryoure to be curryed (delyueryng sufficient lxxviii for well dresynge of the same) the same shalbe by euery such Curryour well and sufficiently curried and made readye for the Shomaker, within the space of fyue dayes in sommer, that is to say: from the fyrst daye of March, to the last daye of September. And also in like maner within the space of tenne dayes in winter that is to say: from the fyrst daye of October, vnto the last daye of February, vpon payne to forseyt to the party greued, for euery hyde not curried and dresed in maner and fourme aforesaid, the somme of ten shyllinges.

Shouped further, that this prouyso shal not extende to bind any curryour to dresse anye leather, which by doyng his best, is not hable to dresse within enery of the tymes aforesayde, but shal extende to all such leather as he conueniently may dresse, after the common rate of dresynge.

And be it also enacted by the auctoritie of this presente parliament, that no person or persons vsyng or occuppyng the seate and mystery of Shomakers, shall from henceforth worke or make any bootes or Shoes of Beates leather, that shalbe myngled, made, or wrought with any other leather, but onely Beates leather of it self, onlesse it be in the hemmes or lynyng of bootes, shoes, or slippers, and that they shall put in all and euery bootes, shoes, or slippers made of Beates leather, innersoles made of wombes, which shalbe wel and truly ranned and curried, and also all such other bootes, shoes, and slippers, as shall be made of dyke Beates leather, or Calles leather, not to be myngled

myngled with any other kynd of leather (saupng in the soles) but on-
ly of it self, onles it be in hemmes or lynniges of the same, that is to say:
neates leather of it selfe, and Calffes leather of it selfe, vpon payne of
forseiture of all suche bootes shoes, and slippers, made soo to the con-
trarye

Wherby it is enacted by the aucthoritye afoze-
sayde, that the one moitye of all suche forseitures afozenamed, shalbe
to our Soueraygne Ladye the Quenes Maiestie, and her byghnes
heires. And the other moitye to hym or them that seace or speke sue
for the same penalties, in any the Quenes maiesties courtes of record
by action of debt, byll, complaynt, informacion, or otherwyle, wherein
no wager of lawe ellowse, protection, or inhibition, shalbe admitted or
allowed, for the defendaunt in that behalfe.

An Acte touchyng Tannets, and the sellynge of tanned Leather.

The .x. Chapter.



Of sundrye good causes and conyderacions be it
enacted by aucthoritye of thys presente Parlyament,
that no person or personnes, hauyng landes, tenementis
tes, or rentes, of estate of enheritaunce, or for terme of
yere, to the cleare yearelye value of .xl. li. or above, ex-
cept such person and persons as haue anye tanhouse,
and doth occuppe the mystrye of tannynge at this presente, and ex-
cept an appentice and other, brought bp and taught, or to be brought
bp and taught as a couenaunt seruaut, or hyred for that purpose by
the space of foure yeares in the mystrye or craft of tanning of leather,
shall vse or haue profytte, gayne, or commoditie, of or by the sayde my-
strye, or crafte of tannynge of leather, after the feast of Saynt Michael
tharchaungell next comyng, vpon payne of forseitynge of all suche
leather so to be tanned, or the full value thereof.

Also be it further enacted, that from and after the feast of Sainte
Michael tharchaungell, which shalbe in the yeare of oure lord God,
M. D. l. v. no person or personnes shall vse, or exerce the feate, crafte,
or mystrye of tannynge of leather, or shall by any meanes receaue anye
profyt, gayne, or luerre, by tannynge of leather, but onely in a cytie, Bo-
rough, Towne corporate, or market towne, where sellers shalbe vsu-
ally appoynted, except he or they haue bene apprentyce. exercised and
brought bp as is aforesayd, in the said crafte and mystrye, by the space
of foure yeares at the least, and also excepted the sonne or heire & wife
of

of euery suche Tanner, to theyr owne ble and bles, upon payne of for-
feiture of all the leather so tanned, contrarie to thys act, or the value
thereof.

And be it also further enacted by thautortie aforesaid, þat no maner
of person or persons whatsoeuer, shall after the fyrste daye of Maye
next commynge, buy, bargayne, bespeake, or take promys of bargaine
of or for any rawe hyde, or calues skynne, but of, or for suche, and the
same, as shalbe present in fayre or market then to be solde, ne they shall
put or cause to be put to sale anye kynde of tanned leather, reade and
brought in any place within this realme, other then in open mar-
ket or fayre, in the place therfore commonly accustomed, and there-
fore prepared, upon payne of forfeiture for euerye hyde. iiij. s. iiii. d. for
euery dosen of Calues skynnes. iii. s. iiii. d. and the hyde or hydes and
leather in any other wyse sold or bought, or the value thereof.

And be it further enacted by thautortie aforesaid, that no person
whatsoeuer, shall or maye after the feast of S. Michaell tharchan-
gell nexte commynge, buye, bargayne, bespeake, or take promys of bar-
gayne, of or for anye tanned leather brought as is aforesayde, but
onely such person or personnes as haue bene, be, or shalbe brought by
in cutting of leather into made wares, and do wyl, and shall worke
and conuerte the same into leather cut into made wares wroughte,
upon payne of forfeiture of the leather so boughte, bargayned, or be-
spoke, or the value thereof.

And where as at a parlyament holden at Westminster upon pro-
rogation, the second and thyrde yeares of the reigne of kyng Edward
the fyrst, brother to the Quenes hyghnes, amongst other thinges in
an acte intituled, an acte for true curryinge of leather, upon dyuerse
good considerations, it was enacted that euery tanner shal cut of eue-
rye wombe of euerye oxe hyde, sixe ynches broade, and of euery styere
hyde syue ynches broade, and of euery cowe hyde eyght ynches broade
of assise in the narrowest place, as by the sayde acte more at large ap-
peareth. Whiche tyme the gredye and insatiable couetouse-
nes of many of the tanners haue bene suche, to defraude the said good
and godly acte, that they wyl not cut of the wombes of the hydes, nor
brynge them to the market to be sold, so that the Cordwayners, can
not haue wombes to put into the inner sooles of bootes, shoes, stert-
owpes, and sylppers, accordinge to the tenoure of the sayd estatute in
that case prouided.

Be it therefore enacted by the Quenes royall maiestie, the lordes
spirituall and tempozal, and the commons in this present parliament
assembled, and by thautortie of the same, that all and euerye person
and persons, that doth occupy, or shal hereafter occupie the tannynge
or barkynge of anye Oxe, Stiere, or Cowe hyde or hydes, to be con-
uerted

nexted for sole leather, for or in the name of sole leather, now commonly called backes, shall cut or cause to be cut of every such or backe or cowe hyde or bydes, that shalbe tanned or wrought for sole leather, commonly called backes, two peces, which is now called wombes, of every such hyde or backe that shalbe wrought, whiche, or tanned for backes, upon paine of forfeiting of every such hyde or bydes backe or backes so tanned or wroughte, the wombes being not cut of. iii. s. viii. d. for every hyde.

And be it also further enacted by thauchoisie of this present parliament, that every tanner or taners, or any other person or persons that occupieth, or hereafter shal occupy the mistery of tanning of leather, & shal cut of, or cause to be cut of those, ii. peces aboue named, called wombes, shal begin upon & two hinder shankes of every such hyde, & there cut two peces, and so cut throughout a longest the belly to the fore shankes, and their to cut of both the fore shankes & those two peces so called wombes, to be wel and truely tanned after the maner of inner sole leather, and to containe of good and dry tanned leather, vi. inches broade of assise in the narrowest place, according to the style of the stander in the exchequer whar they be tanned, or put to sale, or offered to be sold, promised, or bargayne made, upon paine of forfeiture of. iii. s. viii. d. for every wombe being cut lesse then so many ynches broade, of assise in the narrowest place as abovesayd.

And be it further enacted, that every tanner or other person that occupieth, or hereafter shal occupy the mistery of tanning of leather which after the feast of the byrth of our lord Jesus Christ, next coming shal put to sale, or offer to be sold in any fayre or markets, anye backe or backes shal bringe at the selfe same time to the fayre or markets wher he or they shal put such backe or backes to sale, for everye backe the two forenamed peces called wombes, there to be sold in the backes, or otherwyle as the fayre or market shal him best serue, so that they be sold in the open market, upon paine of forfeiture of every such backe or backes so brought to be sold or offered to be sold, of the value thereof, not haupng the wombes there in the open market or fayre as is abovesayd.

Be it further enacted by thauchoisie also, claid, that no person or persons shal after the fyrst day of May next coming, sel, or cause to be sold any maner of leather (clout leather sold in smale peces onely excepted) except he or they register, or cause to be registered the said leather, and every part and percell thereof, upon payne of forfeiture of the value of the leather so bought and not registered. And also the buyer to forfeit & said leather so bought & not registered as is aforesaid. And be it further enacted, that suche person or persones as are, or hereafter shalbe assigned or appoynted searchers, lealer or lealers of tanned lether by vertue of any act or statute heretofore, or hereafter

to be

to be made, shall kepe one booke of regestes to enter all such bargaynes
as shalbe made for leather, bydes of skynnes, cloth lether sold in small
pieces onely excepted by any person or persons, during and by al the
space of the sayd year, market, and shal enter all such bargaynes, being
thereunto requested by the buyer or the seller, taking for his or theys
payne and reward let therein to be taken. And for the regestynge ther
of the seller of every dicker of leather, so entered one peny, for every
sixe dosen of Calves skynnes one peny, and so after the rate, and no
larger, greater somme or sommes of money to be payd for enterynge
of the same, upon payne of forleiture for not entering and regestynge
as is aforesayd, for every dicker of leather .iii. s. .ii. d. for every dosen
of calves skynnes .iii. s. .ii. d. and so after the rate.

And wher also one other acte intituled, an acte for true tanning of
leather was made at a parliament of the said king Edward holden by
procuracion at Westmynster, .v. liii. day of November, in the .ii. yere
of his most gracious reign, which acte was made to endure vnto the
of the next parliament the folowing, & after the same acte was reuoc
ued at one other parliament holden at West. the first day of March, in
the .vi. yere of the reign of the same king Edward the first, to continue
till the last day of the next parliament then folowing. And after the
same acte was continued in the .ii. and last session of our souereygne
lady Quene Mary, holden by procuracion at Westmynster .v. xiiij
day of October, in the first yere of her graces reigne, to continue till
the last day of the next parliament then folowing, which being expired
and the same acte neuer since continued, his force & efficacy is ended.
And for as much as the sayd acte is good & beneficiall for the common
welch of this realme. Be it therfore enacted, ordeined, & established
by the Quene our soueraigne lady, with the assent of the lordes spiri
tual & temporal, & the commons in this present parliament asssembled
and by the auctorite of the saide, that the said acte made in the .ii. yere
of the said kyng Edward the first, and al wordes, clauses, articles, and
provisions in the same (except thes wordes, as hee barke, tapwozte,
meal or culuer donge) shalbe reuolued, continued, stand, and endure in
his full force & strength, to al intentes, constructions, & purposes and
p. no manner in or about the tanning of any leather, shal be or exercise
any other kind of stuffe, but only as hee barke, oke barke, tapwozt meal
lyne, or Culuer donge. & Provided alwaies, & be it enacted by the
auctorite aforesaid, that thone moptye of all such forseitures afoyna
med, shalbe to our soueraigne lady the Quene & maistie, & her bygh
nes heyres or successours, & thother moptye to him or them that lease
or fynt sue for the same penalties in any of the quenes maisties cour
tes of record, by action of debt, by complaint, informacion, or other
wyse, wherethin no waier of lawe, esloigne, protection, or immunitie
shalbe admittred or allowed for the defendaunt in that behalfe.

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An acte that the carying of Leather, Tallowe, or
Rawe hydes out of the Realme for Marchaundise,
shall be felonye.

The. xi. Chapter.



Here at this present time Tanned leather, hydes, and
tallowe, and all thinges thereof made, is growen
and come vnto suche highe and excessive pryce, as the
like within the tyme of mans memory, hath not bene
sene within this realme, by reasonne that diuers and
sundry couetous and greedy persons nowe of late ha-
uinge more regard vnto theyr owne singuler lucre and gaynes, then
vnto the mayntenance and preservation of the common and publique
weale of this the realme of Englande. Haue contrarie to the lawes
and statutes of this realme, conueyed or caused to be conueyed oute of
the same, vnto the parties beyonde the Seas, there to be vttered by
waye of Marchaundise, suche great store and plenty thereof, that the
same leather, hydes, and tallowe, is more plentyfull, and to be hadde
better chepe there, then here within this Realme, to the greate hurt,
hynderaunce, and dammage of all the Quenes moost louinge Sub-
iectes.

For reformation wherof, be it enacted by the Queene our Sove-
raygne ladye, the lordes Sperrytuall and temporall, and the Com-
mons in this presente Parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie
of the same, that no person or persons, whatsoeuer he or they be, Straun-
ger or Denizen, from and after the fyrste daye of June next comming,
shall shyppe, conuey, or abbet, procure or cause to be shypped or conuei-
ed in, or to any Shippe, Boate, or othar vessell, in, or vppon the Sea,
or in, or vppon other hauen, Ryuer, Creeke, or place within this Realme
of Englande, or Wales, or other the Quenes Dominions, any manner
of leather, tanned or untanned, or anye salte or untanned hydes, or
anye leather called Backes, or sole leather, or anye Tallowe, to thin-
tente to transporte, or carpe the same in anye the parties beyonde the
Sea, there to be vttered, bartered, or solde, by waye of Marchan-
dise, vpon payne that euerye suche offender, shall be demed, adfudged
and taken to be a fellowe for euerye suche offence. And that euerye
person and personnes beyng after the sayd fyrst daye of June, lawfull-
lye attaynted, by the due ordre of the common lawe of this Realme,
before suche as shall haue power and auctoritie to heare and deter-
myne felonies by the common lawe, shall for euerye suche offence, suf-
fer suche paynes of death, forseitures of goodes, and Carttelles, as he
or they shoulde haue done, yf he or they had bene lawefully attaynted

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for any offence beinge felonie, by the common lawe of this Realme. And also shall forfeite to the Quenes highnes hir heyres, and successours, all his or theyr landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes, during the lyfe of euerye such offender onely.

And for the better executyon of this lawe, and for the metynge with the offenders therein. Be it also enacted by the aucthoritye aforesaide, that all and euerye offence or offences, committed or done by any person or persons, contrary to thys acte, from and after the sayde fyrst daye of June, nexte comming, shalbe inquired of, tried, determined, and iudged in suche countrey of thys Realme, or other the Quenes dominions as shalbe next adioyning to the place, where any such offence shalbe fyrst committed, any iurisdiction, aucthoritye, or blage to the contrary in anye wyse notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted by the aucthoritye aforesaide, that this acte, nor any thinge therein contened, shal in any wyse extende or be interpreted to make any corruption of bloude, of anye such offendour, or of any heire of anye such offendour, but that euery heire and heyres of euerye such offendour and offendours, in anye of the cases aforesayde, and also the wyse of euerye such offendour, shall haue after the death of euerye such offendour or offendours, like title, interest benefite, proffyte, commoditie, action, and aduantage, as they or anye of them shoulde haue had, yf anye such offence, conuiction, or attayndour, had not bene had ne made.

Sauynge to all and euerye person and persons, bodys polityke and corporate, their heyres, & successours, & the heires & successours of euery of the other then al and euery such offendour, & offendours, which shall be conuicted or attaynted, by any such offence, all such right, title, interest, rentes, leasses, comons, proffytes, comodities, aduantages and hereditamentes, whatsoeuer they be, as they or any of the might or ought to haue had, in, or to anye Manors, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, Pensions, Seruices, hereditamentes, or other thinges, whatsoeuer, or in, or to anye parte or percell thereof, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as he or they shoulde haue had, if suche attaynder had neuer bene had ne made. Anye thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also that this acte or any thinge therein conteyned, shal not be hurtfull, nor prejudiciall to anye Captayne of anye Shyppe, in the tyme of warre, being in the retinue and seruise of the Quenes Maiestie, or her heires or Successours, nor to any owner or mayster of anye Shyppe, nor to anye other beyng the Quenes Subiect, and trauallyng to anye forrayne partes beyond the Sea, for the hauyng, carlyng, and taking with hym or them in tyme aswell of warre as of peace, of anye Wydes, Leather, Tallowe, for theyr necessarie viues aboute

aboute their Ship or Shippes, so that it be not to be differed beyonde the Seas, by any fraude or couni, by way of Marchaundise. This acte or any thing therein conteyned to the contrary in any wyse notwith-
standing.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that this acte, or the effect and substance thereof, shalbe opene redde, pub-
lished or declared at every quarter Sessions, and at every lete of lawe day, by the Iudices that shall geue the charge at the Sessions. And by the Steward of the lete of lawe daye, in his charge when he ke-
peth the lete of lawe day.

This acte to endure from the sayd first daye of June, and to con-
tinue the space of fyve yeares. And from thence vnto the ende of the next Parliament, after the sayd fyve yeares.

An Acte lymittinge the tymes for layinge on lande
Marchaundise from beyonde the Seas, and touchynge
Customes for sweet wyne.

The. xii. Chapter.



Moste humble the winge, beseechen youre hyghnes,
your Lordes, and Commons in this presente Parlia-
ment assembled. That where the sommes of moneye
payde in the name of Customes and subsidies, of wa-
res, and Marchaundises, transported oute, and
brought into this your hyghnes Realme of Englande,
by any marchant straunger, or denizen, is an aunciente reuenue an-
nexed and vnited to your imperall Crowne, and hath in the tyme
of kyng Edward the thyrde, and other your moste noble progenitors,
amounted to great and notable sommes of money, tyll of late yeares
many greedy and couetous personnes, respectyng more theyr pryuate
gayne and comoditie, then theyr duetie and allegiaunce, or the com-
mon proffyte of the Realme, haue and do dayly as well by conueyinge
the same theyr wares and marchaundises out of creekes, and places,
where no custome is resident, as also by or thorough the negligence
or corruption of the customer, searther, or other officer, where they be
resident, as by diuers other fraudulent, vndue and subtyll practises
and deuyles, comey their goodes & marchaundises, as well broughte
from the parties beyonde the Sea, as transported oute of this your
Realme of Englande, without payment or agreyng for the payment
of the customes and subsidies, therefore due. Whereby the yearelye
reuenue aforesayde, is very muche empayred and dimynished, to the
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greate losse and damage of youre highnes, and to the greate burden and charge of your louyng Subiectes, who by occasion thereof haue of late yeaeres bene more charged with Subsidies, & payment for the supplement of the sayde losse and damage, they els we shoulde haue bene. That it maye therfore be enacted by aucthoritie of this present Parliament, that it shall not be lawefull to or for anye person or persons whatsoeuer, from and after the fyfthe daye of September nexte comynge, to lade or put, or cause to be laden or put, or, or from anye wharfe, keye, or other place, on the land, into anye shyp, vessell, crayer, lighter, or botome, anye goodes, wares, or marchaundizes whatsoeuer, (fyfthe taken by youre highnes subiectes, onely excepted) to be transported into any place of the parties beyonde the Sea, or into the Realme of Scotland, or to take by discharge and laye on lande or cause or procure to be taken by or dyscharged out of anye lyghter, shyppe, Crayer, vessell, or botome, beyng not in a lecke or bozacke, and laide on land, anye goodes, wares, or marchaundises, whatsoeuer (fyfthe taken by any of youre highnes subiectes, and salte onely excepted) to be broughte from anye the parties beynde the Sea, or the Realme of Scotland, by way of marchaundises, but onely in the day light, that is to say, from the fyfth of March, vntyll the last of September, betwixt the sonne rising, and the sonne setting, and from the last of September, vntyll the last of March, betwene the howers of leuen in the mornynge, and foure at the after none, and in, and vpon some suche open place, keye, or wharfe, places, keyes, or wharffes, as your highnes, your heyers or successours, shall on thisside the sayd fyfth daye of September, therfore assigne and appointe by vertue of your highnes commission or commissions, whithin your graces porte of London, Southampton, Bristow, Welshester, Newcastle, and the suburbes of the same, and euerye of them, and in some open place, keye, wharffe, places, keyes, or wharffes, in all other portes, creekes, Hauens, or Roodes, but onely excepted, where a customer, comptroller, and searcher, of suche portes, Hauens, Creekes, or Roodes & euery of the, or the seruantes of any of them haue by the space of .x. yeaeres last past ben accustomed resident, or hereafter shalbe resident, vpon payne of forfeiture of all such goodes, wares, or marchaundises so laden or discharged contrary to the true meanyng of this acte or the value thereof.

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And be it further enacted by th aucthoritye aforesayde, that noo manner of person or personns, after the said day shall receiue or take into any shyp, crayer, or other vessell, any goodes, wares, or marchaundises (excepte before excepted) to be transported into any place, beyonde the Sea, or into the Realme of Scotland, by waye of Marchaundise, nor shall dyscharge and laye on lande, out of anye shyppe, Crayer

Crayer, or other vessell, anye goodes, wares, or marchaundise (excepte before excepted) beyng broughte from anye place beyond the Sea, or oute of the Realme of Scotland, by waye of Marchaundise in anye other place or places, or at anye other howses or tymes, then is before signyfyed and appoynted, vpon payne that the owner and owners, mayster and maisters, or other person or persones, which shall take charge, or guydyng of any such Shyppe, Crayer, or vessell, or of the marchaundise, goodes, during and for that viage, shall forfeite and lose for euerye such offence, C. pounce, of lawefull money of Englande.

And be it further enacted by auctorite aforesayde, that noo maister, shpyper, or purser or other person or persones, taking charge of the viage, or of the marchaundes goodes, shall after the said daye receiue or take into any Ship, Craier, or other vessell any goodes, wares or marchaundise (except before excepted, to be carryed or transported into any of the partes beyond the Sea, or into the Realme of Scotland, before he shall haue signified to the Customes of the porte, wher he lade, and other officers, there in the open custome house, if anye suche be there, or els wher the said officers, their deputies or seruantes or any of them; be or shalbe usuallye residente, that he intendeth to lade, and to what place he intendeth to passe; nor shall after hys or theys full lading, depart out of the porte, creekes, or streame wher he shall to lade, before he do in like maner signifye unto the customes, and other officers as is aforesayd, of his lading, and what marchaundes and other persones shall haue lading wth him, or in his Shyppe, Craier, vessell or Bottom. And further twelue doo answere to suche questions, as shall be ministred to him or the by the customes or other officer, concernyng such wares and marchaundes, as he shall haue laden, beyng examined vpon his or thes othe, or other wise in the open custome house, or other wise as is aforesayde, vpon payne to forfeite for euerye suche default nor truly aduertising nor answering as is aforesayde, a hundred pounce.

And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that noo owner, mayster, purser, or other person taking charge of anye Shyppe, crayer, vessell, or botome, wher in anye goodes, wares, or marchaundes, except before excepted, shall be laden and brought from anye the parties beyonde the Sea, or the Realme of Scotland, shall after the sayd daye discharge into anye lighte or botome, and laye on lande, or procut, saue or willingly suffer to be discharged into any lighte or botome, and to be lade on land out of suche Shyp, crayer, vessell or botome, any goodes, wares, or marchaundise whatsoever, before the owner, mayster, purser, or other person or persones, takinge charge of the Shyppe, crayer, botome, or vessell, or the marchaundes goodes, for

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that voyage shall haue signified and declared to the custumer or other officer of the port, Haven, or Creeke, where he arriveth, the names of every of the marchauntes or ladens. And that haue truly answered to suche questions, and interrogatories, touching or concerninge suche goodes, wares, or marchaundise, as shall be then laden in anye suche Ship, vessell, or botome, as shalbe to hym ministred by such custumer or other officer, openly in the custome house, or in such other places as is aforesayd, upon his or theys oth, if nede soo requyre, upon payne that everye suche maister, purser, or other person or personnes, takinge charge of such ship, crayer or other vessell, for that voyage, shall forfeyte and lose for everye suche default not truly aduertisinge nor answeringe as is aforesayd an hundredth pound.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesayde, that frome and after the sayd day, no person denizen ne straunger, do take upon him to entre or doe, or cause to be entred into the booke of anye custumer, or other officer or officers, of anye Port or Haven, within this Realme, or his or theys deputie or deputies, seruante or seruantes, any manner goodes, wares, or marchaundise, whatsoeuer comming or broughte into your highnes realme, fro any the parties beyond the Sea, or from the realme of Scotlande, or goinge or to be transported out of the same your hyghnes Realme, into anye the partes beyonde the Sea, or into the Realme of Scotlande, in the name or names of any other person or personnes, then the verie true owner or owners of the same goodes, wares, or marchaundises, being not sold, bargained or contracted for, to or with anye other person or persones, before such entre, or before the acryuall of such goodes, wares, or marchaundise, in the partes beyond the Sea, upon payne of forfeiture of the value of the goodes so entred.

And be it further enacted by the authoritie aforesayde, that yf any whatsinger, crane keeper, searcher, lighter man, weigther or other officer, pertayninge to the subledye, custome or custome house, doo at any tyme after the said day, consente or knowe anye offence, or thyng to be committed or done contrary to the true meaning of this acte, or anye article therein conteyned, and doo not within one moneth nexte after knowledge thereof had, disclose the same to the cheife custumer or other officer of the Port, where or within whose office or charge any such offence shalbe committed or done, or elles to the Lord Treasurer, Chauncelloure, Under Treasurer, or one of the Barounes of the exchequer or the attorneys generall for the tyme beyng, shall for everye suche conceymente, or not dyscoverye, such offence as is aforesayde, forfeyte and lose an hundredth pounde of good and lawfull

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money of Englande, And be it further enacted by the auctorite aforesayd, that the cus-
tomer of Hull, shall haue a seruante or deputye continually resident
at the cite of Yorke, and euerye other customer comptroller, and sear-
cher of euery porte, shall from and after the daye aforesayde assigned,
and appoynted to, and in euerye of the places aboue mentioned, and
in all and euerye porte, Creeke, or Roode, where the seruante or any
of thein haue bene continuallye residente by the space of tenne yea-
res; or herafter shall be as is aforesayde, one able and sufficient de-
putye, or seruante at the leaste, and that aswell all and euerye of the
customers, comptrollers, and searchers, as all and euerye his or theyr
deputye and deputies, seruante and seruantes, shall frome tyme to
tyme, doo this and theyr dyligente attendaunce, at the howies times
and places afoze appoynted, as well in the Custome house, as elles
wher, as it shall be moste expediente and conueniente, for the spe-
dye dispatche of the marchaunte, and his goodes, wares, and mar-
chaundys, and for the due execution of this Acte, in suche thinges as
to hym or theym shall appertayne, withoute concelemeute, or con-
sentynge to anye thyng or thynges, whiche maye be to the hurte or
damage of youre highnes, youre heyres or successours, in the iust au-
moringe of youre highnes due customes and Subledies, vpon paine
that euerye suche Customer, comptroller and Searcher, shall forsayte
and lose for euerye offence, by hym or them committed or doone, his or
theyr seuerall offyce or offices, and an hundredth pounce of lawefull
moneye of Englande, the moyste of all whiche forsayture, shall be to
your highnes, youre heyres and successours, and the other moyste to
hym or them that woll sue for the same, in anye your highnes courtis
wherewith no ellyne, or protection, wager of lawe, or iniunction shall be
admytted and allowed.

And wherof late yeaues there hath bene myche
greater quantite of sweete wyne, broughte into this Realme, then
in ymme paste hath benne accustomed, whiche benne also broughte
frome the same place, where the wyne commonlye called maluesey
is broughte, and is of the same nature of grape. And neuerthelesse
eyther by neglygentia, ignorance, or corruption of the officers,
there hath not benne suche Custome and Subledye receaued for the
same, to the vse of youre highnes, and youre progenitours, as is
due, and oughte of verie ryghte to be payde for suche sweete wyne,
commynge thorough the Strayghtes, commonlye called the Stra-
ghtes of Harrocke, othertwysse Hallegaye, to the greate losse and
hynderaunce of youre highnes, and the burthen of vs youre lo-
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louing subiectes, for thaduoiding of al ambiguities and doubtes, and to content the officers may more certeinly knowe what they oughte to receiue for suche kinde and nature of marchandise.

Be it enacted and declared by this present acte, and by the authoritie aforesaid, that the custome and subbedie, is of herre righte to be payde, and shall from henceforth be payde for suche sweete wines as is aforesaid, as is, and hath bene accustomed to be payde by maineiers, any negligence, none paymente, blame, or custome to the contrarye in any wise notwithstanding. Saving to all and every Lord marcher, and other person & persons, whatsoeuer body politike or corporate, all and every such right, title, and interest, as they or any of them haue and of right ought to haue in the paymente or hauinge of anye fraunchyse, libertie, custome, and subbedie, or any of them, any thinge in this acte to the contrarye notwithstanding.

It is provided alwayes, and be it enacted, that it shalbe lawfull to ship, lade, and transport into the portes, beyond the Sea, al maner of coeue and grayne, oute of the countie of Dorsetholke and Suffolke, and eyther of theim, at suche places as heretofore hath bene accustomed, and betwene the howers in this acte appointed, when the same coeue and grayne shall not excede the seuerall pysses, mentioned in the Statute made in the .v. and .vi. yere of our late Soueraigne Lord king Edward the first, intituled, an acte against regratores, forstallers, and engrocers, the customes and subbedies therfore due, being wel and truly payd, any thinge in this acte, or any other acte or statute to the contrarye notwithstanding.

It is provided alwayes, that this acte, nor any thinge therein contraryed, be not prejudiciall or hurtfull to the Isle of Anglesey, the hyzles of Carnaruan, and Plyn, in Northwales. But that the inhabitants thereof and euerye of them, maye receiue, lade, and dyscharge according to their old auncient vse, customes, or liberties, graunted to the or any of thei predecessors, by the late kyng of famous memory, king Henry the eyght, or any other his progenitors. So that they and euery of them, pay the customes & subbedies that shalbe due, and discharge and lode, within the tymes, and howers before mentioned, any thinge in this present acte, to the contrarye notwithstanding.

An acte against the deceitfull vsinge of Linnen Clothe.

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Where certain euill dysposed and Deceyfull persons, wyng to bye and ingrose into there handes, greate store of lynneth clothe. do vse to cast the peces of clothe ouer a beame of pece of tymber, made for theyr purpose, and do by sondre deuyces, racks, stretch, and drawe the same both of length, & byrthe, and that done, do then with batelbores, peces of tymber and wood, and other thinges sore bere the same, euer casting there vpon certen Deceyfull liquoors, mingled with chalke, and other lyke thinges, whereby the said cloth is not onely made to seme much finer and thicker to the eye, than it is in dede, but also the thredes thereof be so losed and made weake, that after .iii. or .iiii. washynges, it wyll scarcely hold together, to the great disceite, hinderauce, and losse of the subiectes of this Realme.

Be it therefore enacted by the authorytpe of thys presente Parlyament that yf anye person or personnes, shall hereafter wyllyngly vse or cause to be vled the aforesayde Deceytes or anye other acte or actes, meane or meanes, to, in, or with anye kynde of lynneth cloth, whereby the same shalbe Deceyfull or woyle to a for so good vse thereof, that then the said cloth shalbe forfeted & the offender therein to be punished wth one monethes imprisonment at the least. And shall pay such fine as shalbe assessed, for his or their offence or offences by the Justices, before whom he or they shalbe condemned accordyng to the tenor of this acte.

And be it further enacted by the authorytpe aforesayde that all and euery the Justices of oyer and Determiner, & Justices of assizes, in all their sessions and all Justices of peate in euery countye & place of this Realme, or .iii. of them at the leaste, whereof one to be of the Quorum shall haue full power and authorytie to inquire, heare, & determine the offences aforesayde, in there sessions, by informatyon, inditement, or vpon the traunterie of anye presentmet, or inditment found before the sayde Justices or any of them.

And be it further enacted by the authorytpe aforesayde, that yf any person or personnes, shall at the nexte sessions of the peace (after the said sealer, to be kepte within the shyre or place, where the sealer was made, or before two Justices of peace, whereof one to be of the Quorum) make due information of the offence and of the sealer of the said cloth or elles shall procure the offenders to be thereof indited, at the sayde nexte sessions after, the sayd sealer. And shall also be bound before the sayd Justices by recognisaunce or oblygation to the vse of the Quenes Maiestie her heyres and successours, in such soyme as the said Justices or anye of them, shall thinke mete for the greatnes of the matter and to pursue the same matter with effecte, and to gyue eydence as of ryght apperteyneth, and also to paye and gyue the moitye of all that he or they shall soo recouer, and receyue, to the Sheryffe, or other accomptaunte, to the vse of the Quenes Maiestie, her heyres and

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and successours, and the one halfe of all the forfeitures and fines of and for the premises to be unto the Queenes Maestie, her heires and successours, and the other moitie to him or to them that shall make information, or procure inditement, of and for the premises, and shall follow the same with effect. And further be it ordeyned, and enacted by the authoritie aforesayde, that the Justices befoze whome anye suche offence shalbe tryed, shall certifye the same by thei^r estreat, into the exchequer, at the least yearly at Michaelmas, as they be bounde to do other thei^r estreats, and vpon that certificate the Barones of the Exchequer, to haue full power and authoritie to make proces for so muche therof, as by this estatute shall apperteyne to the Queenes Maestie, in lyke maner and forme as they onely do for anye other fines and amerciaementes, so certified befoze them.

An Acte for the shippinge in Engliche Bottomes.

The. xiiii. Chapter.



Here by diuers statutes made in the tyme of the Queenes Maesties moste noble progenitours, it hath ben enacted and provided that no personne bozne within the Realme of England, or beyng of the lygeaunce of the prince of the sayd Realme, or anye the dominions of the same, shuld shipp any manner of marchandise either out of the Realme, or into the same, but onely in a shipp or bottom, whereof the sayd prince or somme other of thei^r subiectes, were owners, possessioners, proprietaries, and maisters, and the maryners of the same vessel, for the moze parte to be also thei^r subiectes, vppon diuers paynes and penalties, as in the sayde statutes moze playnely appeareth. Since the makinge of which said statutes other forrayne princes, syndyng them selves agreued with the saide seuerall actes, as thinking that the same were made to the hurt & prejudice of thei^r countrey & nauye, haue made like penal lawes agaynst such as shoulde shipp out of thei^r countreies in anye other vessels, then of thei^r seuerall countreies and dominions, by reason whereof there hath not onely growen great displeasure, betwixt the forrayne princes and the kynges of this realme, but also the marchauntes haue bene sore greued and endamaged. For reformation whereof, and for encrease of continuance of amitie. Be it enacted that the seuerall actes made in the fyfte yere of kyng Rycharde the second, the thyrde Chapter, & in the fourth yere of the late kyng of famous memozy king Henry the seuenth, entituled of wine & tholouze ode, shalbe fro hencefoorth clerely boide and of none effect, And neuerthelesse for auoiding of gret discreit practised & now

notwe a dayes bled by sundrye subiectes bozne within this Realme of Englande, and Dominions of the same, whiche enter in the customers bookes, wares, and Marchaundise of Alpeng, bozne in theyr owne name, whereby the Queenes Maiestie is defrauded in her customes and Subsidies, to the great decaye of the auncient reuenues of the Crowne. Be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that all and euery persone and personnes, beyng owner or owners of any goodes, wares, or marchaundises, whiche after the fyrst daye of January next ensuynge, the session of this presente Parliament, shall in tyme of peace, and when there is no restraynte made of Englyshe shippes, embarke, shippe, lade, or discharge by waye of marchaundise, anye wares, or marchaundise (maistres, rafte, pitche, tarre, and corne, onely excepted) out of, or into anye shyppe, barke, hove, vessell, or bot-tome, whereof oure sayde Soueraygne ladye the Quene, her heyres, or successours, or somme of her or theyr Subiectes of this Realme, or the Dominions of the same, be not possessioners and proprietaries, and the maysters vnder God, & the mariners of the same shyp, or shippes, for the moste part be not subiectes of our said Soueraigne ladye, her heyres and successours, shall answer, yeld, & pay to the vse of our sayde Soueraigne ladye the quene her heires & successours, such custome & sub-sidie for suche wares & marchaundises so shipped, laden, or discharged as is aforesayd, rate and rate like, as stralingers & aliens, bozne out of the obediensce of our sayd Soueraygne ladye the Queenes Maiestie, do and oughte to paye for wares & marchaundises, of lyke nature and kynde. And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that no hove, or plate whereof anye Englyshe subiecte or subiectes, is, be, or shalbe owner or owners at any tyme after the fyrst daye of Januarye aforesayd, from any port, creeke, or place of thys sayde Realme of Eng-lande, or anye of the Dominions of the same, shall trauers or crosse the Seas, in, to, or for anye of the portes beyonde the Seas, wth anye wares, goodes or marchaundise vpon payne that the sayde owner or owners shall forsaie and lose the same hove, or plate, with all and euery the munition, takling, and other necessities, pertayninge there vnto, wherof the one moortie to be to the vse and behooffe of the Queenes sayd Maiestie, her heires and successours. And the other moortie to the person or persons, which wyl sue for the same, by bill, plainte, actyon or information in any her highnes courtes at Westmynster, in which case no wager of lawe, protection, or esloigne shalbe admitted.

Provided alwaies, & be it enacted that it shalbe laweful to the mar-chauntres commonly called marchauntres aduenturers, & marchauntres of the Staple, & euery of them, at their seuerall steres, or shippynge of cloth, & wool, and epyther of them from & out of the Riuer of Chample, onely being made twise in one yere at the most, to embarke, shyppe, and

and lade anye goods, wares or marchaundise in or to anye shyppe
 vessell, or botome, belongynge or apperteyninge to anye straunger or
 alpen bozne, so longe and at such tyme as there be not shyppes, vessells
 or botomes belongynge to the Quenes hyghnes, her heires or succes-
 soures, or any of her subiectes in the sayd Ryuer of Chamyle, suffy-
 cyent in number, and apte, and meete for the sure and safe conueyaunce
 of the wares and marchaundise, into the partes of Flaunders, Hol-
 land, Zeland, or Brabant, or any of them, without payng any grea-
 ter or moze custome, and Subledye, then Englyshe men, do ought
 to paye, anye thinge in this acte, to the contrarpe notwithstandyng.
 Thys acte to continue and stand in force, for the space of fyue yeares,
 onely nexte immediatly folowynge this p[re]sent Session of parliament
 and from thence to thende of the parlyamente then nexte folowynge,
 whowded that forasmuche as the Marchauntes of the Cytye
 of Byrskowe haue sustayned of late great losses at the Sea by the
 enemyes, by reason of takynge of all there best shyppes with muche
 substaunce, so that they be not of abilitie to prouide sufficient shyppes
 and vessells of there owne within the tyme lymtted in this p[re]sente
 Acte, that for lacke of there owne shyppes or anye other vesselles,
 of the Quenes dominions, within xl. miles of the Cytye of Byrskowe,
 maye lode and embarke there owne wares and marchaundises in
 straungers bottomes, without payinge anye other custome then for
 wares and marchaundises laden in Englyshe botomes. Thys acte
 or any thyng therein conteyned to the contrarpe notwithstandyng.

**An acte for the continuaunce of the makynge of Wollen
 Cloth, in dyuers Townes in the Countye
 of Essex.**

The .xv. Chapter.



Where as by a certayne acte of Parlyamente bego-
 nne at Westmynster, the .xx. daye of Januarie, in
 the fourthe and fyfth yeares of the Regnes of the
 late kyng Phylippe and Quene Marye, and there
 continued tyl the vii. daye of Marche, in the sayde
 fourth and fyfth yeares of the regnes of the said late
 kyng and Quene, amongst other thinges it was
 enacted, that from and after the fyrste day of May, they nexte folow-
 inge, no person or persones whatsoeuer shall vse or excercyse the seate
 or mistery of makynge, weayng, or rowyng of wollen clothes, longe
 or shorte, or carlepes, pyymed whytes, or plaunc dreightes to chintente
 to put the same to sale, but onely in a market towne, wher cloth hath
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continually to be made by the space of .x. yeares then last past
in a cite, borough, or towne corporate, upon paine of forfeiture for
euerye such wollen clothe or carseye made, wouen, or towed oute of
such cite, borough, towne corporate, or market towne, by the pound
weight. And wher it is provided in the sayde acte, that it shalbe lawefull
to any person, then byrnye or exercyse the seate or mystrye of ma-
kyng, weayng, or rowyng of clothe or carseye, to inhabyte or dwell
where he then shal dwell, and thereto be the makynge, weayng, or
rowyng of clothe or carseye, as he hath heretofore, anye thyng in the
sayde acte not withstanding.

And wher it is further provided by the sayde acte, that it shalbe
lawefull to all and euery person or personnes, which then dyd, or after
that tyme shoul inhabyte or dwell in any of the shires of Northwales
or Southwales, Cheshyre or Lancashyre, Westmerlande, Camber-
lande, Northumberlande, Bishopprike of Durham, Cornewall, Suff-
folke, Kent, the towne of Goddelmyne in the countye of Surreye, or
Borke shyre, byrnye not within twelue myles of the cite of York, or
in anye of the towne or byllages neare adioynynge to the water of
Stroode in the countye of Gloucester, wher clothes hath bene by-
sillye made by the space of twenty yeares then laste past, and havyng
ben appyntee to thoccupacion of clothe makynge, or byed the same
by the space of seven yeares, to sette byr, be, and exercyse the seate or
mystrye of makynge, weayng, or rowyng of wollen clothe, oute of
a cite, borough, or market towne, as before that tyme they myghte
haue done, anye thyng in the sayde acte to the contrarie notwithstanding.

And for as much as the towne or byllages of Bockynge, West-
barfolde, Wedham, and Coxall in the countye of Essex, be saye large
Towne, and as well planted for Clothmakynge as the sayde towne
of Goddelmyne, or better, and fewe towne in thys Realme better
planted for that purpose, and haue ben inhabited of a longe tyme with
Clothmakers, which haue made and dayly do make good and trewe
Clothe, to the greate common weale of the countrey there, and
nothyng prejudyciall to, or for the common wealthe of thys
realme.

Be it therfore ordeyned and enacted by thauthourtye of thys
presente parlyamente, that it shal be lawefull to all and euerye such
personne and personnes which now do inhabyte or dwell, or hereaf-
ter shall dwell in the sayde towne or byllages of Bockynge, West-
barfolde, Cockeshall, and Wedham, or in anye of them, now byrnye
or exercyse, or that hereafter shall be or exercyse the seate or my-
strye of makynge, weayng, or rowyng of Clothe or carseye by the
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space of seven yeares at the leaste, or haue bene p^{re}sented thereto by the sayde space of seven yeares, to inhabite and dwell in the sayde towne or villages of Bokynge, Westbarfolde, Cockeshall, and Wesham, and in euery or any of them, and to vse the makynge, weauynge, or rowynge of Clothe, or Carsey as before this tyme they myghte haue done yf the sayde acte had neuer bene made, anye thynge in the sayde acte to the contrarie thereof made, or any other acte, Statute, or lawe heretofore made, or hereafter to be made to the contrary hereof in any wyse notwithstanding.

AN ACTE that tymber shall not be felled to make Cooles for the burnynge of yron.

The.xvi. Chapter.



FOR THE AVOIDINGE of destruction and wastynge of tymber, be it enacted by oure Soueraygne Lady the Quenes maiestie, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this presente Parlyament assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, that no personne or personnes hereafter shall conuerthe or imploye, or cause to be conuerted or imployed to Coale or other fuell, for the makynge of yren, anye tymber tree, or tymber trees, of Oke, Beeche, or Ash, or of anye parte thereof, of the breadth of one foote square at the stubbe, and growinge within .xiii. myles of the sea, or of anye parte of the ryuers of Thames, Seuerne, Wyre, Humber, Dee, Tyne, Teese, Trent, or anye other Riuer, Creeke, or Streame, by the which carpage is commonlye v^{se}d by boate or other vessell, to anye parte of the sea, vpon payne of forseynture for euerye such tree, or anye parte thereof so imployed or conuerted to coale, or other fuell, for the makynge of yren as is aforesayde, for the shyllynge of laweful money of Englande, the one halfe of all which forseyntures to be to oure Soueraygne ladye the Quenes maiestie, and to her heyres and Successors and the other moytie to him or them that wyl so sue for the same, by oryginall wyte, byll, playnte, or informatyon, wherein no essopgne, protection, iniunction, or wager of lawe shall be admittyd or allowed.

Provyded alwayes, that thys acte shall not extende to the countie of Suller, nor to the weyde of Kente, nor to anye the parishes of Charlewoode, Newedygate, and Lyghe, in the weyde of the countie

tye of Surrey. This act to begynne and take effecte from and after the feast of the Nativitie of S. Iohn Baptist next commynge, after this session of parlyament.

An acte to continue the acte made agaynst rebellious
assembles.

The. xviij. Chapter.



Here in the Parlyament holden at Westmynster the xxiij. day of October in the first yere of the reygne of the late Queene Marye, syster vnto the Queenes highnes that now is, ther was one act & Statute made agaynst vnlawfull & rebellious assembles, to endure and stand in force vnto the end of the next parlyament then folowynge, as by the same act moze playnly doth appere. Which said act and Statute in the parlyament holden at Westmynster the xij. day of Nouember, in the fyft and second yeaeres of the reygne of the late king Philip and queene Mary, amonges other thinges was then and there contynued vnto the last day of the next parlyaments. And after at the next parlyament begonne and holden at Westmynster the xxi. daye of October in the second and thyrde yeaeres of the sayde late kyng Philip and queene Marye, the sayde acte and Statute amonges other thinges was also further continued to stand in force, vntyll the laste daye of the nexte Parlyamente, then folowynge.

And also at the next parlyament holden at Westmynster the twen-tye daye of Januarie in the fourth and fyfth yeaeres of the reygnes of the sayd late kyng and Queene, the sayde acte and Statute amongest other thinges was lyke wyse further continued to stand and remaine in force vntyll the last daye of the next parlyament then folowynge, which is this present parlyament, and so the sayde acte and Statute by the actes of continuaunce aforesayde, dothe stand in force but onely vnto the last day of this present Parlyament.

And for as much as the sayde acte and Statute durynge al the tyme aforesayd hath bene proued by experyence to be a verye good and benyficiall lawe, and mete to be contynued and kept in force, as well for the preseruacion of the peace, as also for the common wealth and quyetnes of this realme. Be it therefore enacted by auctoritie of this present parlyament, that the sayde acte and Statute, and euerye by anyche, clause, and article therein conteyned, shal stande, remaine, contynue, and be in full force and strength, to all intentes and purposes, for, and durynge the naturall yfe of the Queenes mooste excel-

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lent maiestie that now is) which almighty God long preserve and contynue) and to thinde of the parlyament then next following. And that the sayd act and Statute, and the wordes and sentences mentioned and conteyned in the sayde acte, shall extende and be to the Quenes hyghnes that now is, as fully and amplye as ever the same dyd extend to the sayd late Quene Mary.

An acte for the preservation of Spawne and frye of fysh.

The. xliij. Chapter.



Of the preservation hereafter of Spawne, frye, and yong bryd of eies, Salmon, pykes, and of all other fysh, which heretofore hath bene much destroyed in ryuers & streames, salt & freshe within this realme, insomuch that in diuerse places, they fede swine and dogges with the frye and spawne of fysh, and other wyse (lamentable and horrible to be reported) destroy the same, to the great hynderaunce & decay of the common welth.

Be it therefore enacted by the Quenes moste excellent maiestye, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in thys present parlyament assembled, and by the auctorite of the same, that no person or personnes, of what estate, degre, or condition so euer he or they be, from and after the first day of June next commyng, with any manner of nette, weele, butte, tarynge, kepper, lyne, creele, rawe, fag-nette, trolnette, trymenete, trymbote, stalbote, weblister, seurlammer, or wyth anye deuysle or ingynne made of heare, wolle lyne, or canuas, or shall vse any helynge nette or trymle boat, or by anye other deuysle, ingynne, cawtell, wapes, or meanes, whatsoeuer, heretofore made or deuysed, or hereafter to be made or deuysed, shall take and kyll anye yong broode, spawne, of frye of eies, salmon, pike, or pickerel, or of any other fysh in any fludgate, pype at the tayle of any myll, weare, or in anye streytes, streames, brokes, ryuers, salt or freshe, within thys realme of Englande, Wales, Barwyche, or the marches therof, nor shall from and after the first day of June nexte commyng, by anye of the wapes and meanes aforesayd, or other wyse, in anye ryuer or place aboue specyfied, take and kyll any Salmon, or Trowtes, not beyng in season, beyng kepper Salmon, or kepper Trowtes, shedder Salmon, or shedder Trowtes.

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waies, or meanes, lawfully haue or ought to haue anye contrarye
 on or preservation, of anye rivers, streames, or water, or panyment
 and corrections of offences committed in anye of them, that haue full
 power and auctoritie by vertue of this acte, to enquire of all the of-
 fences to be committed and done contrarye to the effecte, and true
 meaning of this acte, within anye of these suche iurisdiction, gouern-
 ment, iurisdiction, and conservacy by the othes of .x. men by iurymen
 And to heare and determine al and everye the same offences, commit-
 ted within his or their such iurisdiction, conservacy, suite, and gouern-
 ment. And that all such paines and forfeitures, as shall be, or shalbe
 by the reason of anye such conviction, for anye of these offences, shalbe
 shalbe to the use of everye of the sayd person and persones, beinge no bo-
 dy politique or corporate, nor head of anye bodye politique by corpo-
 rate, before whom such conviction as is aforesayd, shalbe had, and to
 thuse of everye suche bodye politique and corporate, as herebefore
 haue lawfully hadde anye fines, forfeitures, and amerciamentes,
 for any offence, vnlawfully committed or done, in anye such their iu-
 risdiction, or conservacyes, upon conviction, had before the heade of
 anye such bodye politique or corporate. And that also the Lord of everye
 leete within this realme of England, and waies, or the domynions
 of the same, shall haue full power and auctoritie to enquire of al the of-
 fences contrarye to the purpoyse, tenor, & forme of this estatute, with-
 in the precincte of their sayde leete, such inquirye to be had, in maner
 and forme, and after such sort as common amerciamentes, or other
 thinges inquerable in their countee leete, haue bene lawfullye used
 and accustomed to be had and made. And that upon everye such pre-
 sentment had in anye court or leete, by the oth of twelue men or more,
 as is aforesayd, of any offence or offences, made contrarye to the te-
 nour of this estatute, that then al suche forfeiture above in this estat-
 ute limited and appoynted for such offence, shalbe vnto the Lord
 of the sayde leete for the time beinge, to his owne vse for ever, and
 shalbe leuyed in suche maner and forme, as amerciamentes for of-
 frages, committed within the precincte of suche leete, haue bene used
 and accustomed to be leuyed. And yf anye leete after the sayde fyrste
 day of June, be kept within this Realme of Englande, or waies, or
 the dominions thereof, and the Steward of the sayde leete, for the
 tyme beinge, or other for him, do not charge the Jurymen in such
 leete to enquire of all the offences done within the precincte of the said
 leete, contrarye to the tenoure and forme of this Estatute, that then
 the Steward of the sayde leete to lese and forfeyre for ever his
 Thone moitie of which forfeitures shalbe to the Quenes Maieste,
 her heires and successours, and thother moitie to him that wyll sue
 for the same. And yf any Jury swoyne in any leete, and beynge char-
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ged to enquire of the offences committed within the precinct of that leete, do willingly and willingly conceale and make defaulte in presentment, or do not present the offence and offendours. That then it shalbe lawful to the Stewarde, or bayle of the leete, or bys or they depurie for the time being, to empasell one other Juror with in the sayd leete, and to enquire of suche concelement, default or none presentment and that vpon such concelement, defaulte or none presentment found and presented, every of the said Jurors which so did conceale, make defaulte, or not presente, shall lose and forfeite for every such offence thertyn shillinges to the lord of the said leete, the same to be levied in lawfull and forme as is above sayd for the other offences committed and expressed.

And it is further enacted by authority aforesayde, that of the offences above mentioned, touching the takinge, kyllinge, or destroying of fysh, or fyre and Swayne, be not presented at the leete where they shall be committed, within one yeare nexte after the offence committed, that all Justices of peace in their Sessions, Justices of Oyer and Determiner, and Justices of assise in their severall circuits shall have full power and authority to enquire thereof, and to heare and determine of the offences committed, contrary to the tenour of this statute.

Shalbe always to all and every personne and personnes, bodies politique and corporate, and every of them, all suche right, title, interest, privilege, priuiledge, and conservation, and inquiry, and punishment of and for any the offences aforesaid, as they or anye of them lawfully have and enjoye, or of right ought to have and enjoy, by any manner of meanes, any thinge in this Acte to the contrary notwithstanding. This acte to endure to the ende of the next parliament.

Wherbynt alwayes, that this acte or anye thyng therein conterned, shall not extende vnto the fyshynge of the Ryuer or water of Tweede, nor to anye ryuer or water whereof the Queenes Maestie is answered of anye yearelye rente or profytte, nor to the Owners, fermours, and occupiers of the Ryuers of Ulke, or Uoye, in the Countie of Downmouth, for anye fysh hereafter to be taken in anye the Ryuers or waters before mentyoned and expressed, but that it maye be lawfull at all seasonable tyme and tymes hereafter for suche as haue or shall haue anye manner of intereste therein, to take and fysh the sayde Ryuers and waters in suche manner and fourme as heretofore hath benne vsed and accustomed, not vlynge anye nette or ingen, to the intente wyllynge to take kyll, and destroye the spawne, breede, or frye, breedynge of anye kynde of fysh,

with in the saide feuerall cyures of waters, this acte or anye thynge therein mentioned or conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

An acte for the continuance of certayne

Statutes.

Ch. xii. Chapter.



Where in the parliament begonne and holden at London the xiiij. day of November, in the one & twentieth yere of the reigne of our most dread soveraigne lord of most famous memory kyng Henry the eighte, and from thence adourned to Westminster, and ther holden and continued by divers p[ro]rogations unto the dissolution thereof, an acte was made for the true binding of woles, and one other acte was there made to restrain the synge of wayne, lynes, bullockes, steeves, and heylers being under the age of two yeres, which said severall actes were then made to endure and continue unto the next parliament, as by the said severall actes more plainly appeareth. And where also in the same parliament one other acte was made and enacted for the better to be sued for the punishment of perjury upon untrue verdictes, which act last before rehearsed was then made and ordeyned to continue and endure to the laste daye of the next parliament, as by the same act more plainly appeareth.

And where also in the parliament begon and holden at Westminster the viij. day of June, in the. xxviii. yere of the reigne of our said most dread soveraigne lord kyng Henry the eighte, and there continued and kepte untill the dissolution thereof, it was ordeyned and enacted that all and singuler the sayde actes above remembred and everie of them shoulde continue and endure in theyr force and strength, and also be observed and kepte untill the last day of the next parliament, as by the same acte amonges other thinges therein conteyned more plainly appeareth.

And where also in the parliament begonne and holden at Westminster the. xxviij. daye of Aprill in the xxxi. yere of the reigne of our said late most dread soveraigne lord kyng Henry the eighte, and there continued untill the. xxviij. daye of June then next following, it was ordeyned and enacted by thauctorie of the same parliament, that all and singuler the said severall actes above remembred, & every of the and all articles, clauses, and p[ro]visions in theim and everie of them conteyned, shoulde continue and endure in theyr force and strength, & also

also be observed and kept vntill the last day of the next parliamente,
as by the same act amonges other thinges therein conteyned moze
plainly appeareth.

And where in the parliament holden at Westm. in the .xxxv.
yeare of the reygne of our sayd late soueraigne lord king Henry the
eighth, an acte was made for the preservation of woodes, to endure
for seven yeares then next following, and fro thence to the end of the
next parliament, as by the same acte moze plainly it doth and maye
appeare. And wher also at the parliament holden at Westm. in the
xxviii. yeare of the reygne of the said late king Henry theight, a ther
continued and kept vntill the dissolution thereof, it was ordeined and
enacted, that all and singular the said actes aboue remembred, and
euery of them (except the said acte made for the preservation of woodes
as is aboue said) should continue and endure in theyr force & strength
and also be observed and kept vntill the last day of the next parliamente
then next following, as by the same act amonges other thinges there-
in conteyned moze plainly appeareth. And where also at the session
of the parliament ended at Westm. the .xiii. day of Marche, in
the .xxv. yeare of the reygne of our late soueraigne lord king Ed-
ward the sixt, one acte was made for the true curryinge of leather,
which acte was made to endure to the end of the next parliament, as
by the same acte moze plainly appeareth. And wher also at the session
of a parliament ended at Westm. the .xviii. day of Februarie in the
sixt. yere of the reygne of our said late soueraigne lord king Edward
the sixt, one acte was then and there made concerning the buying of
rother beades, and also one other acte was then and there made tou-
ching the buying and selling of butter and cheese, which saide generall
actes were then and there made to endure and continue vnto the end
of the next parliament, as by the same generall actes moze at large it
doth and maye appeare. And where also at the session of a parliament
by prorogation holden at Westm. the .xxiii. day of Januarie, in the
ixth. yere of the reygne of our said late soueraigne lord king Edward
the sixt, one other acte was then and there made against regratores
and forstallers, to endure to the end of the next parliamente, all and
singular which said actes aboue mentioned together, with the saide
act for the preservation of woodes, at a parliament holden at Westm.
the first day of Marche, in the seventh yere of the reygne of our said
late soueraigne lord king Edward the sixt, and there continued
and dissolved the last day of the same moneth of Marche, and all clau-
ses, articles, ayd prouysions in them and euerye of them conteyned
were there reuiued and continued to stand in theyr force & strength
vntill the last day of the next parliament.

And

And where also at the Session of a parliament holden by p^{ro}rogation at Westminster the. xxiij. day of October, in the first yere of the reigne of the late Quene Mary, sister to the said late King, that now is, and there continued and kepte buttill the dissolution thereof, al and singuler the actes aboute mentio^{ned}, and before that tyme continued at sondry parliaments as is aforesaid, and all clauses, articles, and p^{ro}visions in them and euery of them remembred, were there reuined & continued to stand in theyr force and strength vnto the last day of the next parliament.

And where also at a parliament begonne and holden at Westminster the. xij. day of November, in the first and second yeres of the reynes of the late King Philip and Quene Mary, said ther continued and kept buttill the dissolution of the same, beinge the. xvi. day of January then next ensuynge, all & singuler the actes aboute remembred that were before that tyme continued at sondry parliaments as is aforesaid, and all clauses, articles, and p^{ro}visions in them and euery of them coneyned, were by the auctorite of the said parliament there reuined and continued to stande in theyr force and strength vnto the last day of the next parliament.

And where also at a parliament begonne and holden at Westminster the. xij. day of October, in the seconde and thyrde yeres of the reynes of the said late King Philippe and Quene Mary, and there continued buttill the dissolution of the same beinge the. xij. day of December then next ensuynge, one acte was then and there made for the keepynge of Wychekyne, and for the breadynge and rearyng of calves, and one other acte for the redyfyng of decayed houses of husbandry, and for the encrease of tyllage, the said two feuerall actes to endure tyl the laste day of the nexte parlyamente, as by the same more at large both appeare. And forasmuch as all and singuler the sayd feuerall actes aboute mentyoned, be good and beneficiall for the common wealthe of thys realme.

BE IT therefore enacted, ordeyned, and established by the Queenes mooste excellent Majesty, with the assente of the Lordes Spirituall and Temporal, and the Commons in thys presente Parlyamente assembled, and by the auctorite of the same that all and singuler the sayde feuerall Actes and Estatutes aboute mentioned and rehearsed, and euery of them, and all clauses, articles, and p^{ro}visions in them and euery of them coneyned, shal be reuyned, continued, stande, and indure in theyr full force and strengthe, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, and shal be obserued and kepte in all thynges buttill the laste daye of the nexte Parlyament.

And

And where in the Parliament begonne and holden at West-
minster the xxi. day of October, in the seconde and thirde yeares of
the reygnes of the said late king Philip and Quene Mary, and there
continued & kept until the. ix. day of December then next ensuing,
one act was then and there made entituled: An acte for the reliefe of
the poore, and to endure to the latter ende of the first session of the
next Parliament. Forasmuch as the said act is good and beneficiall
to the common wealth of this Realme. Be it therefore enacted, ordey-
ned, and established by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that
the said acte laste aboue mencioned and rehearsed, and all clauses,
articles, and provisions in the same conteyned, shalbe reuiewed, con-
tinued, stand and endure in full force and strength, to all intents and
purposes, and shalbe observed and kept in all thynges, until the laste
day of the next Parliament.

An acte of a Subsidy of Tonnage and Bondage.

The. xv. Chapter.



In there most humble wise shewen unto your mooste
excellent maiestie, your poore and obedient subiectes,
and commons in this your present Parliament assem-
bled, that where as well your noble grandfather, of
worthy memory, king Henry the Seueneth, the mooste
victorious and myghty prince king Henry the Eight
your mooste deare father, the late prince of worthy memory king
Edward the sixt, your moost tenderly beloved Brother. And our late
Souveraigne Lady Quene Mary, your moost deare Sister, as other
your right noble and famous progenitours, kynges of this your
Realme of England, time out of minde, haue had and enioyed unto
them by auctoritie of parliamente, for the defence of the same now
your realme, & the keeping and sauegarde of the Seas, for the en-
tercourse of marchaundise, safely to come into, and to passe out of the same
certeine sommes of money, named subsidies, of all maner of goodes
and marchaundise, coming in or going out of the same your Realme.
And forasmuch as we your said poore commons, vndoubtedly and moost
assuredly do truste & haue sure confidence in your Maiesties good
fauour & will towarde vs your said poore commons, in & for the keeping
and sure defending of the seas, agaynst al persones, intending or that
shall intend the disturbaunce or vs your said commons, in the en-
tercourse and thynuading of this your Realme, to our molestacion,
inquieting and losse, which at any time cannot be boine without the
great excesse, and intollerable costes, charges and expences, of your
Maiestie, which is not (when neede shall require in suche cases) to be
lacked at any time. But rather we your said commons wylshinge that
such

necessity of all things may be had in redynes from time to time,
 wherewith ye shall require for the spedye supplye of your hon-
 our and the supplye of such necessaries, commodities and
 conveniences, humbly beseech your most excellent Maestie, benignely
 and graciously to take, accept and receive the said poore grauntes
 yett desired and praye as graunted of true hartes, a good willes; which
 we beare unto your highnes, towarde your said grete costes charges
 and expenses to be made by your said Maestie, as the first frutes of our
 good wylles and hartes toward your highnes, although the same
 be of the lesser sort, yett in effect, counterwaite the same your
 grete charges, wherewith your said poore commons, able, full and
 great, are charged by any means. Yett neverthelesse we your
 said poore commons, by thadvise and consent of the lordes spirituall
 and temporall, in this your presente Parlyamente assembled, and by
 thaur authorite of the same, do thynke it advise, good and graunte to
 you oure Supreme liege Lady and Soueraigne, one Subsidie cal-
 led Tonnage, that is to say, of every tonne of wyne, comming or that
 shall be come into this your Realme, by way of marchaundise, the
 fourth part, and to after the rate, and of every tonne of swete wyne
 of which maner as other that shall be come into the same your
 Realme, by every of any marchaunte, whether he be by the marchaun-
 tes of the same, and almaner, as by any other marchaunte stranger,
 of what nation soever he be, and to after the rate over and above
 the fourth part, as afore sayd. And of every tynne of cerryne wyne, com-
 ming or that shall be come into this your Realme, by way of mar-
 chaundise, by every of any marchaunt denizen, or alien, of what na-
 tion soever he be, and alld one other Subsidie called Bondage
 that is to say, of all maner of goodes, and marchaundises, of every
 marchaunt denizen and alien whosoever he be, carryed and to be
 carried out of this your said Realme, or brought or to be broughte, in
 to the same, by way of marchaundise, of the value of everye, .xx. s. of
 the same goodes and marchaundise, .xii. d. and to after the rate. And
 of everye, .xx. s. value of tynne and pewter vessel, carryed out of this
 your Realme, by any and every marchaunte alien, .xii. d. over and
 above the .xii. d. afore sayd. Except and alwayes excepted out of this
 graunt of Subsidie of Bondage, almaner of wollen Cloth, made or
 wrought or that shall be made and wrought within this your Realme
 of England, and by every of any marchaunt denizen, a not boine alien,
 carryed or to be carryed out of this your said Realme. And almaner of
 wolles, wolfelles, and hides, a backes of leather, also carryed or to be
 carryed out of this your Realme. And all wyne and all maner of
 freshe fishe, and bestial, comming, or that is or shall come into the same
 your

your realme. And further we your sayde poze commōs, by thaduise assente and auctoritie aforesaid, grue and graunt vnto you our said Soueraygne leige lady and Soueraygne for the causes aforesayde, one other Subledy of all maner of wolles, wollesles and lether carryed or to be carryed out of thys your realme in maner and fourme solo, wyng (that is to saye) of euery marchaunt denisen of and for euery sacke of wol. xxi. s. iiii. d. And for euery. ccl. wollesles. xxi. s. iiii. d. and of and for euery last of hydes & backes of euery such murchaft denisen. lxxvi. s. viii. d. And of euery marchaunt straunger, not bozne your leige man, as wel those that be made denisens, as hereafter shal be made by letters patentēs or otherwyse, as all other marchaunte straungers, of and for euery sacke of wol. iiii. li. vi. s. viii. d. and of and for euery ccl. wollesles. iiii. li. vi. s. viii. d. and also for euery last of hydes and backes. iiii. li. xiii. s. iiii. d. And so of al the said woless, wollesles, hydes and backes, and euery of thē after the rate that so is or shalbe carryed, to haue, take, enioye, and perceiue the subledies aforesayde, & euery of them, and euery part and percell of them to your hyghnes, from the xvi. day of Nouember last past during your lyfe natural.

And further we your sayd poze cōmons most humbly desire your maiestie that it may be enacted by your highnes by thaduise & assent of the lordes aforesaid, and by your sayd cōmons, & by thaduise auctoritie of this present parliament assembled, that the gistes & graunts aforesaid shalbe good and effectual according to the true meaning of the same. And that it may be further enacted by thauctozitie aforesaid p̄ if any wyne, goodes, marchandise, woless, wollesles, hydes, & backes of lether aforesaid, or other things afoze specified wherof p̄ subledies aforesaid or any of thē is or shalbe hereafter due, shal at any time here after during the time aforesaid, be shipped, or put into any boat, craier ship, or vessel, to that intente to be caried into the parties of beyonde the seas or els be brought frō the parties of beyond the seas into any port, haven, creke, or other place of this your realme by way of marchandise, and there layd on land (the subledies aforesaid of the premis ses due or to be due, by the reason of this graunt not paid) or the collector of the same subledie or his deputie, with & by the consent, knowledge, & agrement of the comptroller & suruey or one of thē at the least, not agreed to for the same in the custome house, according to p̄ true meaning & intent of these aforesaid grautes & euery of thē, that then from the said. xvi. day of Nouember last past, & not before al the sayd wyne, goodes, marchandise, woless, wollesles, hydes & backes, and other the premises aforesaid, & euery part & percell thereof so shipped, or els put into any boates, crayer, or other vessel aforesaid to the intent aforesaid, or brought into this realme, & there layde on land, as is also aforesayd, shalbe and remayne forsept to your hyghnes during the time aforesaid, thone moitie or p̄ balne therof to your hyghnes.

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byghnes, and the other moztie to him oꝛ them that shall lease þe same oꝛ sue foꝛ the same.

And that it may please your highnes, that al marchauntes, as wel denisens as straungers, comming into this your realme, be wel and honestly entreated & demeaned, oꝛ such thinges as subledy by thys act is graunted foꝛ as they were in the time of your said noble pꝛoge gitors, without oppressio to the to be done, paying þe subsidies aforesaid.

And further that it be enacted by thautthoritie aforesaid, that if any goodes, marchaundises, wooles, wolvelles, oꝛ lether aforesaid, oꝛ any part therof of any marchant denisen, naturally boꝛne your leige man, which hath oꝛ shall passe out of this your said realme, after the sayd xvi. day of November last past, during the terme of thys gift & graunt hath oꝛ shall happẽ to be taken with enenies oꝛ pirates by the sea, oꝛ perished by fortune in any shipp oꝛ shippes that shall happen to be taken, oꝛ perished within the time of the said graunt, wher of the subsidies aforesaid, oꝛ any of the to your highnes due, oꝛ to be due, is oꝛ shalbe in soume aforesaid due, oꝛ agreed foꝛ, without fraud oꝛ collusion, and such losse oꝛ losses as ben befoꝛe rehearsed be found and pꝛoued befoꝛe the treasurer of England, oꝛ the chiefe baron of your Exchequer foꝛ the time being, by the examination of the same marchauntes yf they be alque, oꝛ of the pꝛ executours oꝛ administrators if they be dead, oꝛ two true credible persons swoꝛne oꝛ oþer reasonable witnesse and pꝛoues swoꝛne, witnessing þe same marchaundises so to be lost oꝛ perished, that the same marchauntes denisens that were oꝛ shalbe owners of the aforesaid goodes, marchaundises, wolles, wolvelles, hydes oꝛ other marchaundises aforesaid as shalbe so perished oꝛ lost yf they be on live, oꝛ the pꝛ executours & administrators if they be dead, a euery of them, by force & vertue of this act when them liketh, during the said terme, shal oꝛ may newly ship as much wol, wolvelles, hydes oꝛ other goodes & marchaundises in the same port oꝛ portes in the which the same wol, wolvelles, hydes oꝛ other goodes and marchaundises aforesaid so lost & perished were oꝛ shalbe shipped, without any of the subsidies aforesaid nowe graunted to be had oꝛ payd theretoꝛe to your highnes in anye wise.

And that al such pꝛofites of the pꝛemises to be lost oꝛ perished, be certified into your chauncery by your said treasurer oꝛ cheif baron, there to remaine of recoꝛd. And after such certificate made, þe chaunceller of England, oꝛ the loꝛd keper of your great seale foꝛ the tyme beyng, shal make and deliuer vnto the said marchauntes, their executours oꝛ administrators oꝛ any of the, oꝛ to their attornei oꝛ attorneis in þe behalf oꝛ any of the, as many & such wyptes and watrauntes to be directed as wel to the collectours of the subsidies aforesaid oꝛ any oꝛ euery of the foꝛ the time being as to the treasurer & barons of your Exchequer

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Exchequer for the time beyng, whalbe thought requysite and nedefull
for the sayde marchauntes, theyr executours, or administratours, or
theyr attorney or attourneyes, or anye of them, or the sayd Collectors,
or any of them, to haue for the optaynyng as well of the shyppyng, as
of the allowaunce thereof.

AND FURTHER that euery marchaunte denizen that shall
shyppe hereafter any wolles, wolleselles, hides, or any other
goodes and marchaundise in any Carricke, or Galley,
shall pay to your maiestie during the tyme
aforesayd, al maner of customes
and al the subsidies aforesaid
as any alien bozne oute
of thys your
Realme.

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AN ACTE of a Subduer and two Fildes and Lent by the Temporalitie.



Be care which we doo perceive your
Majestie, mooste noble and re-
doubted Soueraigne, to reduce this
Realme, and the Imperiall Crowne
thereof, now latelie so sore waken, so
impoverished, so enfeebled and waken
into the former estate, strength
and gloire, dothe make vs not wiselpe
to reioyce muche in the great bounte-
ousnesse of almyghtie G O D, who
hath so merueylouslie, and beyonde all
worldlie expectation preserved your
Majestie, in these late dyspculle and

Daungerous tymes. But also to studie and bende all our wittes and
force of vnderstandinge, howe we maye lyke louynge and obedient
subiectes, folowe our heade, in this so noble and so necessary an enter-
pryse. And consideringe with our selues, that the decaye hath bene, be-
sides manie other thinges, especyallye in these thre. Firste wastynge
of Treasure, Abandoninge of strength, and in diminishynge of the au-
thentice authoritie of your Imperiall Crowne.

We do mooste earnestly and saythfully promyse to your highnes,
that there shall lacke no good wyll, trauell nor force on our behalfe,
to the redress of all this. But we shalbe ready with hart, will, strenght
bodpe, lyues, and goodes, not onelpe to recouer agayne that which
is thus dymynished, but yt neede be, to recouer farther, (as farre as
tyght, and the wyll and pleasure of God shall suffer) the olde dignitie
and renoume of this Realme. The tyme and place whereof doth not
rest in vs, but as mooste reasonne is, in your mooste noble Majestie,
with thadvice of your honorable Counsaile. Nevertheless synce it
doth so manifestlye appeare to vs all, what inestimable wastynge and
consumption of the treasure and auncient reuenues of this Realme,
hath bene of late dayes, and what greate newe charges, and intol-
erable expenses, your highnes is forced now to sustayne, by reason
of the decaye and losse of percell of your auncient Crowne. So beyng
not ignoraunte, that no woorthye enterpryse, no noble attempte, no not
soo much as the preseruacion of a stronge and puillante estate, may be
withoute some masse of Treasure, presentlye to be hadde, and readye
agaynst all occurrentes.

Therefore we your most obedient and loving subjects, the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, to shewe our willing hartes and good myndes, upon mature consultation had, haue condiscended and agreed with ope voyce, and moſte entier affection, to make your hyghnes at this tyme a present ſuche ſtatute as in our affections we doo wiſe it, and as we knowe moſte certainly boughte to be. But yet of your accustomed clemencie whiche you do ſhewe to all men. We humbly on ourr knees praye your hyghnes not to reiecte it, but to accepte our good willes and hartye deſires herein, and that this our final gift may be by your highnes, the lordes ſpiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the auctoritie of the ſame enacted.

And be it enacted, that your hyghnes towarde the ſayde greate coſtes, and ineſtimable charges, that haue by auctoritie of this present parliament, two whole ſyſtens, and tenthes, to be payde, taken, and leuied of the manerable goodes, chattelles, and other thinges vſuall to ſuche ſyſtens and tenthes, to be ſolde, but to be chargeable within the ſhyres, Cities, Boroughes, Townes, and other places of this your maieſties realme, in maner and fourme afore tyme vſed. Excepte the ſumme of threſcore thouſande poundes thereof fully to be deducted, that is to ſaye, by .cc. poundes of eyther of the ſayd whole ſyſtens and tenthes, of the ſumme that one whole ſyſtene and tenth atteyneth vnto, in releife, comforte, and diſcharge of the poore townes, Cities, and Boroughes of this your ſayde realme, wiſted, deſolate, or deſtroyed, or ouer greatly impouerished, after ſuche rate as was and hath afore this tyme ben had and made vnto every ſhyre, and to be denuded in ſuch maner and fourme as heretofore for one whole ſyſtene and tenth hath ben had and denuded. And the ſayde two whole ſyſtens and tenthes (exceptiōs and deductions aforeſayde, there vppon had, deducted, and allowed) to be payde in maner and fourme ſolowynge: that is to ſaye, the fyrſte whole ſyſtene and tenth, excepte before excepted, to be payde to your hyghnes in the receypt of your hyghnes Exchequer, before the tenth daye of November next commynge. And the ſayd ſecond ſyſtene and tenth, except before excepted, to be payd to your hyghnes in the receypt of your Exchequer before the tenth daye of November, in the yere of our Lord God. M. D. ix.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforeſayde, that the knightes elected and returned, of & for the ſhyres within this realme for this present parliament, citezins of cities, & Burgeſes of boroughes and townes, where collectours haue ben vſed to be named and appointed for the collection of any ſyſtene and .x. before this tyme graunted, ſhall name and appoynt yearly before the laſte daye of Auguſt, in eyther of the ſayd two yeres, ſufficient and able perſons for the collectiō of

of the said Fifteenes & Tenthes in euery of the said Shires/cities/Borowes and Townes/the said persons then hauing Landes /tenementes/and other hereditamentes/in his or their owne righte of an estate of inheritaunce of the yearly value of .x. poundes, or in goodes worth a hundred pounde at the least. And also suche person or persons so by them to be named and appointed for the collection of either of the said Fifteenes and Tenthes/shalbe by them seuerally appointed and allotted into Hundrethes/Rapes/wapentakes/Cities,Boroughes, & townes. And also the said persons so named and appointed for the collection of the same Fifteenes and Tenthes,shalbe charged and chargeable vpon his or their account or accounts,in the chequer to be made, with all such somme or sommes of money,as the Hundrethes/Rapes,wapentakes,Cities,Boroughes, and Townes,where he or they shal so happen to be appointed, amount vnto, and of no more somme or sommes. And vpon the payement of such sommes of money as he or they shal be charged with,shalbe discharged and haue his and their Quietus est, the non accounting or non payment of any other his felowes, or thinsufficiencie of them or any of them notwithstanding. And the names and surnames of euery the said Collectours,for the said Fifteenes and Tenthes,during either of the said two yeares together with the place allotted to their collection and charge, the said knightes, citizens and Burgeses for the Shires,cities and Boroughes,whereunto they be elected,named and returned. shall certifie before the Quene in her Chauncery before the .xiii. day of October:in euery of the same two yeares, accordyng to the tenor of this Act. And if default of any such certifying be had or made in forme as is aforesaid:then the lord Chauncellour of England or keeper of the great Seale, for the tyme being: shal immediately after name and appoint collectours for the collection of eyther of the said Fifteenes and Tenthes in maner and forme as the said knightes of the Shire,citizens of cities and Burgeses of Boroughes, should haue done and as aforesaid haue bene bled. The which said collectours and euery of them shall haue lyke allowaunce vpon their accounts for their fees, wages and rewardes for the collection of the said Fifteenes and Tenthes, in as large maner and forme as anye Collectour or Collectours of Fifteenes and Tenthes haue had at any season in tyme past. And that the Barons of the Quenes Exchequer for the tyme being / shall and may from tyme to tyme award such proces for the speedy payment thereof agaynst the Collectour and Collectours for the same, as by their discrecions shall bee thought convenient.

PROVIDED alway and be it enacted by the auctorite of this present Parliament that the sayde Lorde Chauncellour or keeper of the great Seale for the tyme being,knightes of the Shires, Citizens of Cities, and Burgeses of Boroughes, Townes and other pla-

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res hauing auctoritie by this present act, to name & nominate the saide Collectours/ of, or for the said Fifteenes and Tenthes/ shall vpon their nomination and election/ haue and made/ take by auctoritie of this present Parliament/ sufficient recognisaunces, or by obligation of euery person so by them to be named, to be bound to the Quenes Maiesty in the double somme of the somme of their Collection, and to be endorsed vpon such condition, that if the said Collectour or Collectours do it self content and pay to the vse of the Quenes highnes, in her receipt of the eschequer, before the .x. day of Nouember, in euery of the said two yerres so much of the somme of monie allotted and appointed to his collection as the same collectour shall haue collected and gathered, and do like wise after the said .x. day of the moneth of Nouember, in euery of the said two yerres, content and pay to the Quenes maiesties vse at y same receipt, the residue of his collection & charge within one month next after suche time as he shall haue gathered and collected the same residue. That then the said recognisaunce or obligation to be boide, or els to stand in his full strength and vertue, which recognisaunce or obligation so taken, the said knightes of the Shire, Citizens and Burgeses, and euery of them/ taking any such recognisaunces or obligation/ shall certifye and deliuer to the Lord Tresurer, and Barons of the same Eschequer, before the same tenth day of Nouember, in euery of the said yerres, vpon paine of forfeiture of .x. pound to the Quenes highnes for euery recognisaunce or obligation so to be taken and not certified. And that euery such collectour vpon request to him made, shall make and knowlege the same recognisaunce or obligation accordingly/ vpon like paine and forfeiture of .x. ponde to the Quene for his refusall thereof. And the Tresurer or Barons of the eschequer, vpon the payment of the same collection, or at the said dates, shall cancel and deliuer the said recognisaunce or obligation to the said Collectour or collectours, without any fee or reward to be paide to any person for the same.

AND FURTHERMORE for the great and wayghty considerations aforesaide. We the Lordes Spirituall and temporall/ and the Comons in this present Parliament assembled, do by our like assent and auctoritie of this Parliament/ giue & graunt to your highnes, our said Soueraigne Lady/ the Quenes Maiestie / your Heires and Successours, one entier Subsidie to be rated/ taxed/ leuiued, and paide at two seuerall paymentes of euery person, Spiritual and temporall/ of what estate or degree he or they be, according to the tenor of this Act/ in maner and forme folowing, that is to saye/ as wel of euery personne borne with in thys Realme of Englande, Wales or other the Quenes dominions/ as of al & euery fraternitie/ Guild Corporation Mistrerie, Brotherheade, and Cominaltie incorporated / or not incorporated within this realme of England, Wales, or other the quenes dominions being worth five poundes/ for euery pgonde, as well in copne
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and the haire of every pound that every such perso, fraternitie, guild corporation, mistery, brotherheade, cominaltie, corporate, or not corporate, hath of his or their owne, or any other to his or their use, as also plate, booke of marchaundizes, al maner of corne & blades, house-holde stuffe, & of al other goodes moueable, as wel within the realme as without, and of al such sommes of money as to him or them is, or shalbe owing, whereof he or they trust in his or their consciences surely to be paid (except & out of the promisses deducted, suche sommes of money, as he or they owe, and in hys or their consciences intendeth truly to pay, and except also the apparell of such persons, their wiues and children, belonging to their owne bodies (saying ieiwels, gold, syluer, stone, and pearle) shal pay to and for the fyfthe payment of the said subledy. xx. d. of every pound, and to & for the second payment, of the said subledy. xii. d. of every pound, And also every alien & stranger bozne out of the quenes obeisaunce, as wel denizen as others, inhabityng within this realme, of every pound that he or they haue in copne, and the value of every pound in plate, corne, graine, marchaundizes, household stuffe, or other goodes, ieiwelles, cattells, moueable or vnmoueable, as is aforesayd, as wel within this realme as without, and of all sommes of money to him or them owing, whereof he or they trust in his or their consciences to be paid (except and of the same premisses deducted, euerye such somme or somme of money, which he or they do owe, and in his or their conscience or consciences intende truly to pay) shal pay of and for every pound, to and for the fyfth payment of the said subledy. iii. s. iii. d. and to and for the second payment of the said subledy. ii. s. of every pound, And also that every alien and stranger, bozne out of the quenes dominions, beinge denizen or not denizen, not beyng contributory to anye the rates abouesayde, shal pay to and for the fyfth payment of the said subledy. iiii. d. and to and for the second payment of the said subledy other iiii. d. for euerye polle. And the maister, or he or she with whome the same alien is, or shalbe abidyng at the tyme of the taration or tarations thereof, to be charged with the same for lacke of payment thereof.

AND BE IT further enacted by thauthozitie aforesayde, that every person bozne vnder þ quenes obeisaunce, & every corporation fraternitie, gylde, mistery, brotherheade, and cominaltye, corporate or not corporate, for every ponnd that euerye of the same person, and every corporation, fraternitie, gylde, mistery, brotherhead, and cominaltye, Corporate or not Corporate, or anye other to hys or their use hath in fee simple, fee tayle, for terme of lyfe, terme of yeares, by execution, wardeshyppe, or by coppe of courte roll, of, and in any honours, Castells, Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Rentes, seruices, hereditamentes, annuities, fees, corrodies, or other yearly profits, of the perye value of. xx. s. as wel within auncient Demeane

and other places priuiledged, or ells where, and so by wardes, shal pay to and for the fyist payment of the said subledy. ii. s. viii. d. of and for every pound, and to and for the setond payment of the sayd subledy. xvi. d. of and for every pound. And every alien bozne out of the quenes obeyssaunce, in such case, to paye at the fyiste of the sayde paymentes. v. s. iii. d. of every pound, and at the second paiment. ii. s. viii. d. of for every pound. And that all sommes presented and chargeable by this acte either for goodes, and debtes, or either of them, or for landes and tenementes, and other the premisses as is in this acte contened, shalbe at either of the saide paymentes, set and taxed after the rate and portion, according to the true meaning of this acte (landes and tenementes, chargeable to the dismes of the cleargy, & yerely wages due to seruauntes for their yerearly seruice, other then the quenes seruauntes, taking yerely wages of five poundes or aboue, onely excepted & forpyssed.) And that al plate coine, iewels, goodes, debtes, and cattells personelles, being in the rule and custody of any person and persones, to thuse of any copozation, fraternitie, guild, misterye, brotherhead, or any communalty, being copozate or not copozate, be & shalbe rated, sette, and charged by reason of this acte, as the value certified by the presenters of thar certificate, to be sworne of euery pound in goodes and debtes, as is abovesayde. And of euery pound in landes, tenementes, annuities, fees, cordwies, or other yerearly profyts, as is abovesayd. And the sommes & are before rehearsed, set & taxed, to be leuyed and taken of them that shal haue such goodes in custody or otherwise charged for landes as is before rehearsed. And & same peris or persons, and body copozate, by authoritie of this acte shalbe discharged against him or the that shal or ought to haue & same, at the tyme of the paiment or deliuey therof, or at his other wise departure fro the custody or possession of the same. Except, and alwaies forpyssed fro the charge & assesment of this subledy, al goodes, cattells, iewels, & ornamets, of churches & chappels, which haue bene ordeined & used in churches or chappels for the honoz and seruice of almighty God.

AND the fyist payment of the said subledie shalbe by thauctoritie aforesaid, taxed, assessed, and rated according to this acte, in euery shyre, ridyng, lath, wapentake, rape, citie, borrough, towne, & euery other place within this Realme of England, and wales, & other the Quenes dominions, before the last day of Apryll next commyng. And the second payment of the sayd subledy, shalbe by thauctoritie aforesayd, taxed, assessed, & rated, before the xx. day of January next commyng. And the perticuler sommes of euery shire, ridyng, borrough, towne, and other places aforesaid, with the perticuler names of such as are chargeable for and to the fyist paiment of the said subledie, to be taxed and set by the commissioners to the same limited, or two of them at the least with the names of the high collectours, and in the same

same forme shalbe certified into the quenes Exchequer, before the last day of May next coming. And the perticuler sommes of euery shire, borough, towne, and other places aforesaid, with the perticuler names of such as are chargeable for and to the second payment of the said subledy, to be taxed and set by commissioners to the same to be made, or two of them at the least, with the names of the high collectors, and in the same forme shalbe certified into the quenes Exchequer before the first day of February, which shalbe in the yere of our Lord God, M. D. li. And the sayd sommes in maner & forme aforesaid, to be taxed for the first payment of the said subledy, shalbe paid into the quenes receipt of her Exchequer aforesaid, to the vse of our said soueraigne Lady, before the xxliij. day of June next coming, and the said sommes in maner & forme aforesaid, to be taxed for the second payment of the said subledy, shalbe paid into the receipt aforesaid to the vse aforesaid, before the first day of March, which shalbe in the yere of our Lord god, M. D. li. And the somme abouesaid, of and for the said subledy, shalbe taxed, set, ased, and demaunded, take gathered, leuied, and paid to thuse of our said soueraigne Lady, her heires and successours, in forme abouesaid, as wel within the liberties, franchises, hamletuaries, ancient demeane & other whatsoeuer place exempte or not exempte, as withoute. Excepte such shires, places, and persones as shalbe supplied in and by this presente acte, any graunt, charter, prescription, vse, or libertie, by reason of any letters patentes or other privilege, prescription, allowaunce of the same, or whatsoeuer other matter of discharge hertofore to the contrary made, graunted, used, or obteyned notwithstanding.

AND it is further enacted by the aucthoritie of this presente parliament that euery such persō, as wel such as be borne vnder quenes obersaunce, as euery other persō, straunger borne, denizen or not denizen, inhabiting within this realme or within wales, or other the quenes dominions, which at the time of the said assellings or taxations, or of either of the, to be had or made, shalbe out of this realme, or out of wales, and haue goodes, or Cattelles, landes, or tenementes, fees, or annuities, or other profytes within thys Realme, or in wales, shalbe charged & chargeable for the same, by the certificate of the inhabitantes, or the parties where such goodes, cattels, landes, tenementes, or other the premisses, then shalbe, or in suche other place wher such person, or his factō, deputy or attorney, shal haue his most resort vnto within this realme, or in wales, in like maner as if the sayd persō were, or had ben at the time of the said asselling within this realme. And every person abiding or dwelling within this realme, or without this realme shalbe charged or chargeable to the same subledy graunted by thys acte, accordyng and after the rate of suche peacelye sub-

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staunce, or value of landes & tenementes, goodes, cattels, and other the premises, as euery personne so to be charged shal be set at, in the time of the saide assessinge or taxation vpon him to be made, and in none otherwise.

And further be it enacted by thauthozitie aforesaid, & for the setting & ordering of the said subbedie to be duely had, the lord Chancellour of England, or & keeper of the gret seale, the lord Tresorer of England, the Lord Steward of the Quenes maiesties householde, the lord president of the Quenes honorable counsaile, & the lord pryuy Seale for the time being, or two of them at the least, wherof the lord chancellour of England, or keeper of the gret Seale for the time being to be one, shal and may name & appoint, of & for euery shire, & riding, & other places, as wel within this Realme, as in Wales, & other the Quenes Dominions, & also of, & for euery citie & towne, beyng a countie in it selfe, and of, and for the Isle of Waighte, suche certaine number of persons of euery of the same shires, Rydinges, Lathes, wapentakes, Rapes, Cities, Townes, & Isle of Waighte, and euery other place, and other thynhabitaunces of the same, to be Commissioners of, and within the same wherof they be inhabitaunces. And also, of, and for the honorable householde of the Quenes Maiestie, in what shire or other place the sayd household shal happen then to be. And the Lord Chancelloure, or keeper of the greete Seale, and other with him befoze named, in lyke maner may name and appoint of euery other suche Borough and Towne corporate, as wel in Englad as in Wales, & other the quenes Dominions, as they shal thinke requisite. bi. v. iiii. iii. or ii. of the head officers, & other sad honest inhabitants of euery of the said cities, boroughes, & townes corporate accordyng to the number & multitude of the people being in the same, the which persones, if any such be thereunto named, of the sayd inhabitants of the said boroughes & townes corporate, not being counties in them selues, shalbe ioyned and put in as commissioners, with the persons named for such shires and Ridinges, as the said Boroughes and townes corporate, not being counties in them selues, be set and haue their being, which persons so named for & of the said boroughes & townes corporate, not being counties by reason of theyr dwelling in the same, shal not take vpon the, ne none of the, to put any part of their comission in execution, for the premises out of the said boroughes & townes corporate, wherin they being so named, onely for the same be dwelling. And also not to execute the said comission within the borough or towne corporate, wher they be so dwelling but at such daies & times as the said other commissioners, for & same shire, & riding shal thereunto limit and appoint within the same Borough, or Towne Corporate, not being countie Corporate, wherof they so be, and not out of such Borowe or Towne, and in that maner to be aidinge and assisting

assisting with the saide other Commissioners, in and for the good executing of the effect of the said Commission / vpon paine of euerie of the saide Commissioners so named for euerie suche Citie / Borough and Towne corporate, not being a countie, to make such fine / as the saide other Commissioners, in the Commission of and for the saide Citie, or Riding so named, or thye of them at the leaste / shall by their discrecions, set and certifie into the Quenes Eschequer / there to be leated to the vse of the Quenes Moste in like maner as such or like sommes had bene set and rated vpon euerie such person for the said Subsidie. The whych Commissioners so named of / and for the said Cities / Boroughes and Townes / not being Counties; and onely put in the sayd Commission / by reason of their dwellinge in the same, shall not haue any parte of the porcion of the fees and rewardes of the Commissioners / and their Clarke, in this Acte afterwarde specified. And the Lorde Chaucellour of Englande / or keeper of the great Seale / for the tyme being, shall make and direct out of the Courts of Chauncerie / vnder the great Seale / severall Commissions, that is to saye: To euery Shyre / Rydyng / Lath / Wapentake / Rape / Cytie / Towne / Borough, Ile and householde / vnto suche person and persons / as by his discrecion and other with him afore named and appoynted / in lyke maner and fourme as is afore rehearsed / shall be thought sufficient for the selling and leuying of the said Subsidie / in al Shires and places according to the true meaning of thys Acte, whiche Commission / for the first payment of the sayde Subsidie, shall be directed and deliuered to the sayde Commissioners / or to one of them / before the fyfte daye of Apryll nexte commynge. And the Commission for the second payment of the sayde Subsidie / shall be directed and deliuered to the saide commissioners or one of them before the fyfte daye of Januarie, which shall be in the yere of our Lorde God a thousande, fyue hundreded fiftie and nine. And to euery of the said commissions / ten sedules containing in them, the tenor of this act shall be affiled. By whiche commission the commissioners in euery such commission, named according to this Act, and as many of them as shall be appointed by the said commission / shall haue full power and auctoritie, to put the effecte of the same commission in execution. And that by auctorite of this act, after such commissions to them directed, they may by their assentes and agreements seuer themselves for the execution of their commission, in hundredes, Lathes / Wardes / Rapes, wapentakes / Townes, Parishes and other places, within the limites of their said commission, in suche forme as to them shall seme expedient to be ordred and betwene them to be commoned and agreed, according to the tenor and effecte of the commission to them therein directed, vpon which seuerance euery person of this present Parliament, that shall be commissioner / shall be assigned in the hundred where he dwelleth.

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PROVIDED that no person/ be or shalbe compelled to be anie Commissioner, to and for the execution of this present Act / but onelie in the Shire, where he dwelleth and inhabiteth. And that anie person being assigned to the contrarie thereof, in anye wyse shall not be compelled to put in execution the effecte of this Acte, or anye parte thereof. And it is also enacted by thauthoritie of this present Parliament, that the Commissioners and euery of them, which shalbe named, limited/ and appointed according to this Acte/ to be Commissioners in euerie suche Shire/ Riding, Lath, Wapentake/ Rape, Citty, Towne, Boroughe/ Isle and the saide Householde, or anye other place, and none other, shall truelie, effectuallye, and diligentlye for their parte, execute the effect of this present Acte / according to the tenour thereof in euery behalfe/ and none other wise by anye other meanes / without omission fauour, dreade, malice, or anye other thinge to bee attempted and done by them, or anye of them to the contrarie thereof. And the saide Commissioners and as manye of them as shall be appointed by the saide Commission and none other/ for the execution of the said Commission and Acte, shall for the taxation of the saide firste payment of the saide Subsidie/ before the sixte daye of Aprill, next commynge, And for the taxation of the saide seconde payment of the saide Subsidie/ shall before the sixte daye of Januarie / which shal be in the yere of our Lorde God a thousande, five hundred fiftie and nyne, by vertue of the Commissions, deliuered vnto them in forme abouesaide/ direct their seuerall or ioyne precept vnto. iiii. vii. vii. vii. vii. or three or mo/ as for the nombere of inhabitants/ shalbe requisite of the most substantiall/ discrete and honest persones/ inhabitants, to be named by the saide Commissioners, or by as many of them as shalbe appointed by the saide Commission of, and in Hundreds, Lathes, Rapes/ Wapentakes/ Wardes, Parishes, Townes and other places, aswell wythin Libertties, Fraunchises, Auncient demeanes, places exempted, and Saintuaries as without/ within the limites of the Shires/ Ridings Lathes/ Wapentakes/ Rapes/ Cities/ Townes/ Boroughes/ or Isle aforesaide/ and other places within the limites of their Commission/ and to the Constables/ Subconstables/ Bayliffes and other like officers/ or ministers of euery of the saide Hundreds/ Townes/ wardes/ Lathes/ wapentakes/ parishes & other places beforesaid/ as to the said Commissioners/ and euery number of them/ or vnto three or two of them by their discretion in diuision shal seme expedient/ as by the maner and vse of the parties shalbe requisite/ streighly by the same precept/ charging and commaunding the same inhabitants / Constables and other officers aforesaid/ to who such precept shalbe so directed to appeare in their proper persons/ before the said Commissioners or such nōber of the as they shal deuide the selues according to the tenor of þ said commissiō/ at certain daies & places by þ said Commissioners. or any nōber of them

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as is aforesayde; wthin Cyties, boroughes, or towtens corporate, or wthout, in any other place as is aforesayde, by thei^r discretions shal be lympted therevnto, to do and accomplishe all that to theim on the parties of the Quenes maiestie shall be enioyned touching this acte. Commaundynge further by the same precepte, that he to whose handes suche precepte shall come, shal shew or deliuer the same to thother inhabytauntes or officers named in the sayde precepte, and that none of them fayle to accomplishe the same, vpon paines of .xl. s. to be forfeited to the quenes maiestie.

AND it is farther ordeyned by the auctorite of this present parliament, that the sayde daye and place prefixed and limited in the said precepte euery of the commissyoners then beinge in the shyre and hauynge no suffycient excuse for hys absence, at the daye and place prefixed for that parte wherevnto he was lympted, shall appeare in hys proper person, and there the same commissyoners beinge present, or as manye as shalbe appoynted by the quenes maiesties commissyon, shall call or cause to be called befoze them the sayde inhabytauntes and officers to whom they haue directed the sayde preceptes, and whyche had in commaundement there to appeare by the sayde precepte of the sayde commissyoners, and yf any person so warned make default, vntles he then be letted by syknes or lawfull excuse, and that let then be witnesed by the othes of two credible persons, or yf any appearynge refuse to be swozne in fourme folowynge, to forfeite to the Quenes maiestie fortye shyllynge. And so at euery tyme appoyntted by the sayd commissyoners for the same charatyon, vnto suche tyme the number of euerye suche persons haue appeared and certyfyed in fourme vnderwrytten, and euerye of them soo makynge default, or refusynge to be swozne, to forfeite to the Quenes maiestie .xl. s. & vpon the same apperaunce had, one of the most substantiall inhabitauntes or officers beyng warned, & appearynge befoze the sayd commissyoners, shalbe swozne vpo a boke openly befoze the commissyoners in fourme folowynge

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possessions and profits, as of goodes, Cattelles, debte, and other thynges chargeable by the said Acte, without any conceilement, loue, fauor, affectyon, drede, feare, or malice, as nere as god wyl gyue the grace, to helpe me God and the holy contentes of thys boke. And euery other person that shall appeare there by the same preceptes, from tyme to tyme, shall make like othe, and vppon the othe soo taken as is aforesayde, by the inhabytauntes and officers of euery hundredes, ward, wapentake, Towne, or other place, the sayd Commyssioners shall openly there rede or cause to be red vnto them, the said rates, and openly declare the effect of their charge vnto them, in what maner and forme, they ought and shoulde make their certyficate, accordyng to the rates and Sommes thereof abouesayde. And of all maner of personnes, aswell of Aljens, and Straungers, Denyzens or not Denyzens, inhabytyng within thys Realme, as of suche persons as be borne vnder the Quenes obeyssaunce, chargeable to thys Acte. And of the possessions, goodes, and Cattells, of fraternyties, Gylde, Corporacions, Brotherheades, mysteries, and comminalties, and other as is abouesayde. And of personnes beyng in the parties of beyonde the Seas, hauynge goodes or Cattells, Landes, or Tenementes, withyn thys Realme, as is aforesayd. And of all goodes, beyng in the custodie of any person or personnes, to the vse of any other as is abouesayde, by the whych information and the sayng the sayde personnes, shoulde haue suche playne knowledge of the true entent of thys present Acte, and of the maner of their certyficate, that the same personnes shall haue noo reasonable cause to excuse them by Ignoraunce, and after suche othe, and the Statute of the sayde Subledye, and the maner of the said certyficate, to be made in wrytyng, conteynyng the names & surnames of euery personne, and whether he bee borne wthoute the Quenes obeyssaunce or wthyn, and the best value of euery person, in euery degree, aswell of yearely value, of Landes, & Tenementes, & of suche like possession and profits, as the value of goodes and Cattells, debtes, and euery thyng to their certyficate, requisite and necessary to them declared, the said commyssioners there being, shal by their discretyons apoynt and lymytte vnto the sayde personnes, another daye and place to appeare before the sayde Commyssioners, and chargynge the sayde personnes that they in the meane tyme shall make dyligent inqurye, by all wayes and meanes of the premysse, and then, and there euery of them, vppon payne of forfeyture of fortye shillings to the Quenes Maiestie, to appeare at the said newe prefixed day and place, there to certifie vnto the sayde Commyssioners, in wrytyng, accordyng to their sayd charge, and accordyng to the true entent of the sayd graunt of Subledye, and as to them in maner aforesayde, hath bene declared and shewed by the Commyssioners, at whych daye and place soo to them

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them prefixed, if anye of the sayd personnes make defaulte or appeare and refuse to make the sayde certificate, that then euerye of them soo offendinge, to forseye to the Queenes Maestie, for the bypplinges, except onelpe a reasonable excuse of his defaulte, by reasonne of sickness, or otherwise by the othes of two credible personnes, there witnessed he had. And of sicke as appeare readye to make certificate as is aforesayde, the sayde Commissioners there beyng, shall take and receaue the same certificate, and euerye parte thereof, and the names, values, and substance of euerye person so certified, and if the same Commissioners see cause reasonable, they shall examine the sayde presenters thereof. And thereupon the sayd Commissioners, at the sayde dayes and place by theyr agreement amonges them selues, shall from tyme to tyme, openly there pfectre a daye, at a certayne place or places, within the lymittes of theyr Commission, by theyr discrecion, for theyr further proceeding to the sayde assessynge of the same Subsidye, and thereupon at the sayde daye of the sayde certificate, as is aforesayde taken, the same Commissioners shall make theyr precepte or preceptes to the Constables, Subconstables, Bayliffes, or other officers of suche Hundredes, Wapentakes, Townes, or other places aforesayde, as the same Commissioners shalbe of, compynge and conteynyng in the same precept, the names, and surnames of all persons presented before them in the sayde certificate, of whome yf the sayd Commissioners, or as manye of them, as shall be thereunto appoynted by the Queenes Commission, shall then haue behemente suspecte to be of moore greater value or substance in Landes, Goodes, Cattelles, or Sommes of money owynge to them, or other substance beforesayd, then upon suche person or personnes shalbe certified, the same Commissioners shall make theyr precept or preceptes, directed to the Constable, Bayliffes, or other officers, commaundynge the same Constable, Bayliffes, or other officers, to whom suche precept shalbe directed to warne such persons whose names shalbe compyned in the sayde precepte, at theyr mansions, or to theire persons, that the same persons named in such preceptes, and euery of them, shall personallpe appeare before the sayd Commissioners, at the same newe prefixed day & place, there to be examined by all wayes and means, (other then by Cojporall oth) by the sayde Commissioners, of theyr greatesse substance, and best value, and of all and euery sommes of money owynge to them and other whatsoever matter concernynge the premysles, or anye of them accordynge to this acte, at whiche daye and place so prefixed, the sayde Commissioners, then and there beyng, or as manye of them as shalbe thereunto appoynted by the Queenes Commission, shall cause to be called the sayde personnes, whose names shalbe compyned in the sayde precepte, as is beforesayde, for theyr examination. And yf anye

of those persones which should be warned, as is before said, to be examined, which at any tyme after the warning, and before the prefixed day, shalbe within such place, where he maye haue knowledge of hys sayde apperaunce to be made, make default, and appeare not, onlesse a reasonable cause, or els a reasonable excuse by the othes of two credible persones, before the sayde Commissioners, be truely alledged for hys discharge, that then euery of them, so makynge default, to be rated and charged to the Quenes Maiestie, with and at the double sommes of the rate that he should or ought to haue bene set at, for and after the best value of his land or substaunce vpon him certified, if he had appeared by the discretion of the Commissioners ther being which Commissioners shal trauel with euery of the other persons, so then and there appearynge, whose names shalbe expressed in the sayde precept or preceptes, and in whom anye vehement suspecte was or shalbe had in forme abouesayde, by all suche wayes and meanes they can, other than by Corporal othe, for theyr better knowledge of theyr best value, either in hereditaments or possessions, ether els in goodes or dettes.

And that euery spirituall person, at either of the sayd taxations, of the sayde Subsidye, shalbe rated and set accordynge to the rate aboue sayd, of, and for euery pound that the same spirituall person, or anye other to his vse hath by dyscent, bargayne or purchase, in fee simple, fee taylor, terme of lyfe, terme of yeares, by execution, by warde or by copy of Court roll, in anye Manoures, Landes, Tenementes, rentes, Seruices, offices, fees, Corrodies, annuities, or hereditamentes after the true iust and yearely value thereof, after and accordynge as other the Quenes Maiesties Subiectes borne within thys Realme be charged in forme aboue remembred, so that it extende to the yearely value of twenty shyllinges or aboue.

Item If anye personne certyfied or rated by vertue of thys acte, be he Commissioner, or other, to anye maner of value, doth finde him selfe greued with the same presentment, sellinge or taxynge, and thereupon complayne to the Commysioners before whome he shalbe rated, lesled, or taxed or before two of them. That then the said Commissioners shall by all wayes and meanes examyne perpeculerlye and distinctlye the person so complaynyng, and other hys neighbours by their discretion, of euerye hys Landes and Tenementes, aboue specyfied, and of euerye hys goodes, Cattels and debtes aboue mentioned, and after due examination and perfyte knowledge thereof, hadde and perceyued by the sayde Commysioners, whiche shall haue power by chauctoritie aforesayde, the sayde Commissioners, or two of them, to whome anye suche complaynte shalbe made, by theyr discretions, vpon the othe of the sayde personne so complaynyng, maye

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may abate, defaulte, encrease, or enlarge the same assessment, accordinge as it shall appere vnto them iuste vpon the same examination. And the same some so abated, defaulted, encreased or enlarged, to be estreated in forme as hereafter ensueth. So that he come before the estreaters of the same assessynge be deliuered by the same Commissioners, into the Quenes Maiesties Eschequer. And yf it be p̄dved by worynes, his owne Confession, or other lawefull wayes or meanes, within a yere after any such oth made, that the same person so taxed & swoyne was of any better or greater value in Landes, goodes, or other thinges aboue specified, at the tyme of his sayde othe, then the same person so swoyne did declare vpon his sayd oth. That then euery suche person so offending, shall lose and forseyt to the Quenes Maiestie so much in lawfull mony of Englande, as the same person so swoyne was set at or taxed to pay, and all personnes set, rated, and taxed as is abouesayde, shall be bounde and charged by the same, and the somme or sommes vpon hym set, to be due to Wardes the payment of the sayde Subledye, and to be leuiued as hereafter shalbe specified.

And also it is enacted by the same ancthoritie, that euery person to be rated at the sayde taxation, as is aforesayde, shall be rated, taxed, and set, and the somme on hym set, to be leuyed at such place where he and his familie at the tyme of the same presentment to be made, shall keepe his house or dwellinge, or where he then shalbe mooste conuersaunte abydyng or resyaunt, or shall haue hys moost reioyre, and shalbe best knownen at the tyme of the sayde certificate to be made, and no where els, and that no Commissioner for this Subledye, shalbe rated or taxed for his goodes, or landes, but in the Shyre and other place where he shalbe Commissioner, and that yf anye person chargeable to this acte, at the tyme of the same assessynge, happen to be oute of this Realme, and oute of Wales, or farre from the place where he shalbe knownen, then he to be set where he was laste abydyng in thys realme or within Wales, and best knownen, and after the substance and value and other p̄pyties of euery person, knownen by the examinatio, certificat, and other maner of wyse as is aforesayde. The sayde Commissioners or as manye of them as shalbe appoynted by the Quenes Maiesties Commission, shall after the rate aforesayde, set and taxe euerye person accordinge to the rate of the substance and value of his Landes, goodes, and other p̄pyttes, wherby the greatestte and moost best somme, accordinge to his moost substance, by reason of this acte, myghte or may be set or taxed.

Provyded alwayes that euerye suche person whiche shalbe sette or taxed for paymente of and to this Subledye, for and after the yearlye value of hys Landes, Tenementes and other reall possessyons or p̄pyttes at anye of the sayde taxations, shall not be sette and taxed

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for his goodes and Cattels, or other moueable substaunce, at the same taxations. And that he that shalbe charged or taxed for the same Subsedye for his goodes, Cattels, and other moueables, at any of the sayd taxations, shall not be charged, taxed, or chargeable for his landes, or other reall possessions and profittes abovesaid, at the same taxations, nor that any person be double charged for the sayd Subsedye, neither set or taxed at severall places by reason of this acte, anye thynge conteyned in this present acte, notwithstandinge.

And that it be ordeined by the sayde auctorite of this presente Parliamente, that no person hauinge two manors, or two places to resort vnto, or callinge him selfe housholde seruaunte, or waitinge seruaunte to the Quenes Maiestie, or other lord or Ladye, mayster or maistres, be excused vpon his saying, from the taxes of the sayd Subsedye, in neyther of the places where he may be set, onles he bynge a certificate in writing from the Commissioners, where that he is so set in dede at one place. And if any person throughte to be set by reason of his remouynge or resortynge to two places, or by reason of his sayinge, that he els where was taxed, or by reason of anye ppylledge by his dwellinge or abiding in any place, not beyng forpylled in this act, or otherwyle by his couin or craft, happen to escape from the sayd taxations, and be not set, and that proued by presentment, examination, or information, before the sayd Commissioners, or as many of them as shall be by the same commission appoynted, or by the Barones of the quenes Maiesties Eschequer, or two Justices of the peace, of the countie where suche person dwelleth, then euery suche person, that by such meanes or otherwyle wyllynglye by couin shal happen to escape from the sayde Taxation or paymente aforesayde, and not be rated, taxed, and sette, shalbe charged vpon the knowledge and proffe thereof, with and at the double value, that he shoulde or oughte to haue bene sette at afoze, accordyng to his behauoure. The same double value to be leuied, gathered, and payde of hys goodes and Cattels, Landes, and Tenementes, towarde the sayde Subsedye. And further to be punished accordyng to the dyscretions of the Barons, Justices, and commissioners, before whom he shalbe conuicted for his offence and deceit in that behalf.

And further be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that the sayde Commysioners of euery Commyscion, shall accordyng to thei dyscretions, and after they be deuyded, haue full power and auctorite by this acte, to sette, rate and lease euery other Commyscioner, ioyned with theym in euerye suche Commyscion and dyscion. And shall also asseste euery assessor, within thei diuision, for his and thei goodes, Landes, and other the premises as is abovesayde

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names of all such persons as were assigned to lay the sayd particular
 sommes and the sommes of euery hundred, wapentake, town, or o-
 ther place aforesaid, with the names and surnames of the persons so char-
 geable according to the extent so first there of made, as is aforesaid, de-
 limited; the collector so to be assigned, shall be charged to answer the hole
 thing comprised in the said extent limited to his collection, as is aforesaid.

And it is enacted by the said authority, that the
 sayd that the said commissioners having authority by this act to name
 and nominate the said high collectors of the said subsidy, shall immediately
 upon the nomination or election, take by authority of this present par-
 liament, sufficient recognisances or obligations, without any fee or
 reward to be paid therefore of euery person so by them to be named to
 be high collector, to be bounde in the Queenes maistie in the double
 forme of the somme of his collection, and to be endorsed and made upon
 such condition: that is to say, for the collection of the said first payment
 of the sayd subsidy, that if the sayd collector, his heirs or executors
 do truly content and pay to the use of the Queenes maistie, the heires
 or executors, in the receipt of the sayd subsidy, before the said xxiiij.
 day of June next coming, so much of the said somme of money allot-
 ted and appointed to his collection as he shall collect and gather, and
 content and pay the residue of his collection and charge, within one
 moneth next after such tyme as he hath gathered and collected the
 same residue, that then the sayd recognisance or obligation to be
 holden shall stand in full strength and virtue, and for the collection
 of the second payment of the sayd subsidy, upon condition, that if the
 sayd collector, his heirs or executors, do truly content and pay to the
 use of the Queenes maistie, the heires or executors, before the first day of March, which shall be in the next
 year after the said day, so much of the said somme of money as is
 allotted and appointed to his collection as he shall collect and gather,
 and content and pay the residue of his collection and charge, within
 one moneth next after such tyme as he hath gathered and collected
 the same residue, that then the sayd recognisance or obligation to be
 holden shall stand in full strength and virtue, which sayd severall
 recognisances or obligations taken, the sayd commissioners shall
 by writing certifye, and deliver into the Queenes maistie, together
 with the severall certifficates of the sayd taxations and rates of the same
 members of the sayd subsidy, at or by the tyme to them prescribed and
 appointed by this act, and the certificate of the sayd severall taxations
 of the sayd subsidy, under paine of forfeiture of all to the Queenes maistie,
 in default of such recognisance or obligation not certified, and that euery
 such collector so elected named, and chosen, upon request to
 him made, shall knowe and make the sayd recognisance or

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 tey for the refusal thereof, and shery collector to depure by hampage
 the sayd shery or parsonage, as is aforesayd, shall have authorite by
 this acte to appoynt bayes and places within the shire of his collec-
 tion for the payinge of the sayd subsidy to him to be made, and then
 of to geue warning by proclamation or otherwise, to all the Constables,
 or other persons of inhabitances, having the charge of the per-
 tituler collection, within the hundredes, parishes, townes, or other
 places, by him or them limited, to make payment for the sayd per-
 tituler collection of every soume unto them shall appertayne. And yf
 at the sayd day and place so limited and prefixed by the said collector,
 the sayd Constables, officers, or other persons of inhabitances, as is
 aforesayd, for the sayd per tituler collection assigned, and appoynted
 within each hundred, ville, towne, or other place, do not paye unto the
 sayd collectors the soume within their seuerall hundredes, townes,
 parishes, and other places, due and compysed in the sayd shire at ther-
 of to them deliuered by the sayd commissioners, before of shew as is
 aforesayd, or so much thereof as they have by any means received, in
 of every pounce for the sayd per tituler collection as is before sayd, as
 to paye to be the of all owed, excepted, and as aforesayd. And the sayd
 lawfull to the sayd high collector, and every of them, and to the
 assigns, to distraine every of the sayd Constables, officers, and other
 inhabitances for the sayd default and per tituler collection of the
 sayd soumes compysed in the sayd shire and in, thing other of, to them
 and every of them, as is before sayd, default, or for any number of
 the same soume as to then shall happen to be gathered and traped, and
 behindward to paye by the goods and chattels of every of them for
 being behind, and the distress so taken, to be kept, appoyled, and sold
 as is aforesayd, and the of to take and levy the soumes so then being
 behindward to paye. And the overplus coming of the sale of the said
 distress (if any be) to be released and deliuered unto the owner, in
 forme above remembred.

And also by the said statute enacted, that no person inhabiting in anye citye,
 borough, or towne corporate, shall be compelled to be an assessor of
 anye rate of, or for any parte of the said subsidy, in anye place or pla-
 ce, out of the sayd Citye, Borough, or Towne corporate, where he
 dwelleth.

And also by the said statute enacted, that if any inhab-
 itant or officer, or whatsoeuer person or persons, charged to and for
 the collection or receiv of any parte or portion of the sayd subsidy, by
 any manner of meanes, accordinge to this acte, or any person or persons
 for themselves, or as receiver, or put in receipt, or as receiver, or for
 any other person or persons, of any goods and chattels of sequestrated
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thereof at the tyme of the sayde assessinge to be made, beyng out of this Realme, or in any other parties not knowen, or of, and for the goodes and Cattels of anye other person or persons, of anye corporatyon, fraternitie, mistery, or other whatsoeuer comynalte, beyng in corporate or not incorporate, and all persons haupng in theyr rule, gouernance and custodpy, any goodes or Cattels at the tyme of the sayde assessinge, or any of them to be made, or whych for anye cause, for and by collecti- on, or for bym selfe, or for anye other, or by reason that he hath the rule, gouernance, or custodpy of anye goodes, or Cattels, of any other per- sonne or persons, corporatyon, comynalte, fraternyte, gylde, or my- stery, or any suche other lyke, or as fact or deputye, or attorney, of or for any person, shalbe taxed, rated, valued and set to anye some or sommes by reason of thys acte, and after the taxatyon or assessinge vpon anye such person or persons as shalbe charged with the receipte of the same happen to dye, or depart from the place wher he was so taxed and set, or his goodes or cattels be so eloynd, or in suche pytyy and couert ma- ner kepte, as the sayde person or personnes, charged with the same, by estreates, or other wytynges from the sayd Commissioners, or as ma- ny of them as shalbe therevnto appoynted by the sayd Commission, as is aforesayde, can ne may leupe the same somme or sommes, comprised within the same estreates, by distress, within the limyttes of theyr col- lection, as is aforesayd, or can not sell such distresse or distresses, as be taken for anye of the sayd paymentes, before the tyme lymtted to the hygh Collectour for his paymentes to be made in the queenes Maie- ties receypt, then vpon relation therof, with due examination, by the othe or examination of such person or persons as shalbe charged with and for the receipte and Collection of the same, before the sayde Com- missioners, or as manye of theym as by the sayde Commission shall be therevnto appoynted, where suche person or personnes, or other as is aforesayde, theyr goodes and Cattels, were sette and taxed, and vpon playne certificate thereof made in the queenes Maiesties Eschequer by the same Commissioners, as well of the dwelling place, names, and sommes of the sayde personnes, of whome the sayde sommes can not be leued and had as is aforesaid, then as wel the constables and other inhabitantes appoynted for the perticuler collection agaynst the hygh collectors, as the hygh collectour vpon his accoumpte and othe, in the sayd Eschequer to be discharged thereof, and proces to be made for the queenes Maiestie, out of the sayd Eschequer, by the dyscretion of the Barons of the sayd Eschequer, agaynst such person, his heyres or exe- cutors, so beyng behind with his payment. And ouer that the same co- mmissioners to whom any such declaratiõ of the premises shalbe made in forme aforesayd, from time to time shal haue full power and auctori- tie to direct theyr precept or preceptes vnto the sayd person or persons

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charged with any summe, of for or upon any such person or persons, or other as is aforesayd, or to any Sheriffe, Steward, Bayliffe, or other whatsoeuer officer, minister, person or persons of such place or places, where any such person or persons, so owinge such somme or sommes, shall have landes and tenementes, or other hereditamentes, or reall possessions, goodes and cattels, whereby anye such person or persons so indebted, his heires, executours or assignes, or other hauinge the custody, gouernance, or disposition of any goodes, Cattels, Landes or tenementes, or other hereditamentes, whiche ought or may by this acte lawfully be distrayned or taken for the same, hath and shall haue goodes Cattelles Landes Tenementes, or other possessions, whereof such somme or sommes, which by any such person or persons, may or ought to be leuied, be it within the lymittes of such Commyssyon, where such person or persons was and were tared, or without, in any place within this Realme of England Wales, or other the Queenes Maiesties dominions, marches or territories, by which precept aswel such person or persons as shall be charged to leue such monye, as the officers of the place or places, where such distres maye be taken, shall haue full power and auctoritie to distreyn euerie such person, indebted charged and chargeable by this acte, or his executours or administrators of his goodes and Cattelles, his gardians, factors, deputies, lessees, fermours and assignes, and al other persons, by whose handes or out of whose landes any such person should haue rent, see, annuittie, or other profytte, or whiche at the tyme of the sayde assellynges, shall haue goodes, or cattels, or anye other thinge moueable, of anye such person or personnes, being indebted, or owinge such summe, and the distresse so taken, caused to be kepte, apprayed and solde in lyke manner and fourme as is aforesayde, for the distresse to be taken upon such persons, to be tared to the sayd Subledy, and beyng sufficiente to distrayne within the lymittes of the Collettours, inhabitants, or other officers, charged with, or for the same sommes, so vpon them to be tared. And yf anye such distresse for none paymente, happen to be taken out of the lymitte of the sayde persons, charged and assigned to leue the same, the persons so charged for the leue of anye such somme by distresse, shall perceaue and take of the same distresse, for the laboure of euery person, goynge for the execution thereof, for euery myle that any such person so laboureth for the same, two pence. And euery fermor tenaunte, gardian, factour, or other whatsoeuer person, beyng distrayned or otherwyle charged for paymente of anye such Somme or Sommes, or anye other Somme, by reasonne of this Acte, shall be of such Somme or Sommes, of hym or theym soo leuied, and taken, dyscharged, and acquyted at his nexte daye of paymente of the same, or at the deliuerie of such goodes and cattels, as he that is soo distray

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distrained had in hys custodie and gouernaunce, agaynst him or the; that shalbe so tared and set, anye graunte or wytyng, obligatorie or other whatsoeuer matter to the contrary made heretofore not wythstandyng. And if any such person, that should be soo distrayned haue no Landes, or Tenementes, sufficient where by he or hys renauntes, and seruours, maye be distrayned, or hath elopned, alenyed, or hydde his goodes and Cattelles, wherby he shoulde or myghte be distrained, in such maner, that such goodes and Cattelles, shall not be knowne or founde, so that the somme, of or by hym to be payd in the sayde fourme shall ne can be conueniently leuied. Then vpon relatyon thereof to the Commyssioners, or to as many of them as by the sayde Commyssyon shalbe therunto appoynted, where such person or persons was tared, and set, by the othes of him or them, that shalbe charged wyth the leuy and paymente of that somme or sommes, the same Commyssioners, shall make a precept in such maner as is aforesayde for to attache, take and arrest the body of suche person or persons, that oughte to paye the sayde sommes and by this acte shalbe charged with, and for the sayde somme or sommes, and them soo taken safely to kepe in pylson, wythin the shyre, or other place where anye suche person or persons shalbe taken and attached, there to remaine without baile or mainpryse, vntil he hath payd the same some or sommes, that such person for hymselfe, or for any other by this acte, shalbe chargeable or ought to be charged withall. And also for the fees of euery such arrest, to him or them that shall execute such precept, twenty pence. And that euery officer vnto whom suche precepte shalbe directed, do his true diligence, and execute the same vpon euery person, being indebted, vpon payne to forfeite to the Quenes Maiestie, for euery default in that behalf, twenty shyllinges. And that no keeper of any Gaole from his Gaole, suffer any such person to go at large, by lettung to bayle, or otherwise to departe out of his pylson, before he haue payd his said debt, and the said twenty pence for the said arrest, vpon payne to forfeite to the quenes Maiestie, forty shyllinges. And the same Gaoler, to paye vnto the quenes Maiestie, the double value, as well of the rate wherby the sayde personne so unpysoned was tared at, as of the sayde twenty pence for the fees, and lyke proces and remedye, in like fourme shalbe graunted by the sayde Commyssioners, or as manye of them, as by the sayde Commyssion shalbe therunto appoynted, at like information of euerye personne or personnes, beinge charged with any somme of money, for anye other personne or personnes, by reason of the sayde Subledye, and not thereof payde, but wyllfully wythdrawen, ne the same leuyable wythin the tyme where suche personnes were therunto tared. And if the Somme or Sommes, beinge behynde, vnpayde, by anye personne or personnes, as is aforesayde, be

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leued and gathered by force of the sayd proces, to be made by the sayd commysioners, or if in defaulte or for lacke of paymente thereof, the person or persons so pwyng the said somme or sommes of money, by proces of the same Commissioners, to be made as is aforesayde, be committed to prison in some abouclayd, that then the sayd commissioners whiche shall awarde such proces, shall make certificate thereof in the sayde Eschequer, of that shalbe done in the premises, in the terme next following, after suche somme or sommes of monye, soo beyng beynde shalbe leued and gathered, or suche person or persons for none payment of the same committed to prison. And if it happen any of the sayde Collectours to be assigned, or anye Mayors, Sheryffes, Stewards, Constable, the headborough, householder, Baylyffs, or anye other officer, or mynister, or other whatsoeuer person or personnes, to disobey the sayde Commissioners, or anye of them, in the reasonable requeste to them made by the sayde Commissioners, for execution of the sayde Commission. or if anye of the officers or other persones, do refuse that to them shall apperteyne and belonge to doo, by reason of anye precepte to hym or theym to be dyrected, or anye reasonable commaundemente, instaunce or requeste touchinge the premises, or other defaulte in anye apperaunce or collection to make, or if anye personne beyng suspecte, or not to be indifferentely taxed, as is aforesayde, do refuse to be examined accordinge to the tenoure of this acte, befoze the sayde Commissioners, or as manye of them, as shalbe therevnto assigned, as is aforesayde, or wyl not appeare befoze the same Commissioners, vpon warynge to hym made, or elles make resistance or rescous, vpon any dystresse vpon him to be taken, for anye percell of the sayd Subsidye, or committe any misbehauoure in anye manner of wyse, contrary to this acte, or committe anye wyllfull omission, or other whatsoeuer wilful, not doing, or misdoing, contrary to the tenor of this acte or graunt, the same Commissioners, and euery number of them aboue remembred, or two of them at the leaste, vpon probable knowledge of anye suche misdemeanors, had by information or examination, shall and may set vpon euerye suche offendour for euerye suche offence, in name of a fyne, by the same offendour to be forsayted, fortye shyllynges or vnder, by the discretion of the same Commissioners. And further the same Commysioners, and euerye number of them, or two of them at the least, shal haue authoritie by this present acte, to punyssh euerye suche offendour, by imprisonmente, there to remaine and to be deliuered by theyr discretion, as shall seme to them conueniente, the sayde fynes, if anye suche be, to be certyfied by the sayde Commissioners that so assessed the same, into the Quenes Maiesties sayde Eschequer, there to be leued and payde by the Collectours of that parties for the sayde Subsidye, returned into the said Eschequer

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Exchequer, so botherwith charged with the payment of the sayd sub
sidie, in such maner as if the said fines had ben sette and taxed vpon
the sayd offenders for the said Subsidie.

It is also enacted by the sayd auctoritie of this parliament,
that euery of the sayd high collectours, which shal accompte for anye
part of the sayd Subsidie, in the said Exchequer, vpon the sayd seueral
sayd accomptes to be yeldd, shalbe allowed at euery of the said pai-
mentes of the said subsidie, for euery pound limited to his collection
wherof any such collectour shalbe charged and yeld accompte, fyve
pence as percel of their charge, that is to say, of euery pound therof,
for such person as then haue had the perticuler collection in the tow-
nes and other places as is aforesaid, specifid in his collection, two
pence and other two pence of euery pound therof, euery of the sayde
cheefe collectours, or the sayd accomptauntes, to retene to the sayd owne
r for the sayd labour and charge in and about the premises, and two
pence of euery pound residue, to be depyured, allowed, & payde by
the sayd collectours so being therof allowed, to suche of the commys-
sioners as shall take vpon them the busines and labour, for & aboute
the premises, that is to say, euery collectour to pay that commissioner
or commissioners, which had the ordering of the writings, of and
for the sayd subsidie where the said collectour or collectours had their
collection for expences of the said Commissioners, soo takyng vpon
them the said busines and labour of their clerkes writing the sayde
preceptes and estreates for the sayde collections, the same laste two
pence of euery pound to be deuyled amongst the sayd Commissio-
ners, hauing regard to the sayd labour and busynes taken by them or
the sayd clerkes in and about the premises for the which part so to
the sayd commysioners attayning, the said commissioners. vi. b. iiii.
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maiesties commission, and euery of them ioyntly & seuerally for hys
and the sayd part may haue his remedy agaynst the said collectour
or collectours, which therof ben, and might haue ben allowed, by ac-
tion of debt, in which the defendaunt shal not wage his lawe, nether
protection, neither iniunction, or other essoine shalbe allowed. And
no person nowe being of the number of the company of this presente
Parliament, nor anye commissioner, shalbe named or assigned to be
any collectour, or subcollectour, or presentour of the sayd subsidie, or of
any part therof, nor no commissioners, shalbe compelled to make anye
presentment or certificate, other then in the Quenes maiesties sayd
Exchequer, of, for, or concerning the sayd subsidie, or anye part ther-
of. And likewise that none other person that shalbe named or assign-
ned to be commissioners in any place, to and for the execution of this
acte of Subsidie, be or shalbe assigned, or named head collectours of

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any of the paymentes of the sayd subledye, neither of any part therof. And that every such person or persons which shalbe named and appointed as is aforesaid, to be head collectours, in and for the first payment of this subledye, shall not be compelled to be collectour for the second payment of the said subledye, or for any parte thereof. And the sayd collectours which shalbe assigned for the collection of the sayd subledye, or for any part thereof, and every of them, be and shalbe acquitted and discharged of al maner fees, rewardes, & of every other charges in the quenes maiesties Exchequer, or elswhere of them, or any of them, by reason of that collection, payment, or accomptes, or any thing concerning the same to be asked. And that if any personne receiue and take any fees, rewardes, or pleasures of any such accountant. That then he shall forseyte to the quenes maiestie, for every penny or value of penny, so taken, fyue wilinges, and suffer imprisonment at the quenes maiesties pleasure. And after the taxing & assessing of the said subledies, as is aforesaid, had or made, and the said estrets thereof in parchment vnto the collectour, in maner and forme before rehearsed. Delivered, the saide commissioners which shall take vpon them the execution of this acte, within the limites of the sayd commissiō by the sayd agrementes, shall haue meting together, at which metyng euerye of the saide commissioners which then shal haue taken vpon them the execution of any part of the said commissiō, shal by him self, or by his sufficient deputie, truly certify and bring forth vnto the said commissioners named in the said commissiō, the certificate and presentment made with him and suche other commissiōs as were ly-mitted with him in one limite. So that the same certificates may be accompted and cast with the other certificates of the other limites within the same commissiō. And then the sayd commissioners and every number of them, vnto two at the least, as is aforesaid, if any be in life, or the sayd executours or administrators of their goodes, yf they then be dead, shal ioinly & seuerally as they were deuised within the sayd limites, vnder the sayd seales by the sayd Discretion make one or seueral writtinges indented, conteyning in it as wel the names of the sayd collectours by the commissioners, for such collection & accompt in the chequer. and payment in the said receipt, deputed & assigned, as the grosse and seuerall sommes written vnto every such collector, to receiue the sayd subledye. And also al fines, amercyances, & other forseyntures, yf any such by reason of this acte, happen to be within the precinct and limit of their commissiō. to be certified into the quenes maiesties said eschequer by the sayd commissioners, in whiche writting or writtinges indented so to be certified. shalbe plainly declared & expessed, the whole and entyre somme or somes of the said subledye seuerally limited to the collectiō of the sayd collector, seuerally deputed and

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and assigned to the collection of the saide sommes. Soo that none of the saide Collectours shal be certified in the saide Eschequer, shal be compelled there to accompt or to be charged, but onely to & for the somme lymitted to his Collection, and not to or for anye somme lymitted to the Collection of his felowe, but that euery of them shal be seuerallye charged for theyr parte, lymitted to theyr Collection. And yf the sayde Commissioners ioyned in one commission amonges them selues, in that matter can not agree, or if any of them be not redye, or refuse to make certificate with other of the same Commissioners, that then the same Commissioners may make seuerall indentures in fourme aforesayd, of their seuerall lymittes or seperations of Collectours, within the lymittes of theyr Commission, vpon, and in the hundredes, wardes, wapentakes, Lathes, Rapes, or suche other lyke dyuysions within theyr sayd seuerall lymittes of theyr Commission, as the places there shall require to be seuered and deuided, and as to the same Compyssioners shall seme good, to make diuisions of their lymittes or collections, for the seueral charges of the same Collectours. Soo that alway one Collectour, shal be charged and accompt for his part to him to be lymitted onely by him selfe, and not for any somme lymitted to the part of any of his felowes, and the charges of euerye of the Collectours, to be set and certified seuesally vpon them, and euerye such Collectoure, vpon his accompt and paymente of the somme of money, lymitted within his collection, to be seuerallye by hym selfe acquyted and dyscharged in the sayde Eschequer, without paying anye maner fees, or rewardes to any person or personnes for the same, vpon the payne and penaltie last abouesayde, and not to be charged for any portion of any other Collectoure. And if any Commissioner after he hath taken certificate of them, that as is aforesayde, shal before any such Commissioner be examyned, and the sommes rated and set, and the bookes and wytynges thereof being in his handes, or yf anye Collectour or other person charged with anye receipt of any parte of the sayde Subledye, or any other person, taxed or otherwys by thys acte charged, with and for any persell of the sayde Subledye, or with any other sommes, or fyne, amerciamente, penaltie, or other forfeyture, happen to dye before the Compyssioner, Collectour, or other whatsoeuer person or persons, haue executed, accomplished, satisfied, or sufficiently discharged, that which to euery such person shall appertaigne or belong to do, according to this acte, then the executours and heires of euery such person, and all other leased of any landes, or tenementes, that any such person beyng charged by this acte, and dischaunged before he be discharged therof, or any other to hys ble onelye hadde of estate of enherytaunce, at the tyme that anye such person was named Commissioner, Collectoure, or otherwys charged with and for any

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maner of thing to be done, satisfied or payde by reason of this acte, & all those that haue in their possessions or handes, any goodes, or Cat-
tels, leasses, or other thinges that wete to any such person or persons,
at the tyme of hys death, or any landes or tenementes, that wete the
same persons, at the tyme he was as is aforesaid, charged by this act
shalbe by the same compelled & charged to do and accomplishe, to do
in euery case as the same person so being charged, shoulde haue done &
might haue ben compelled to doo, if he had ben in plaine life, after suche
rate of the landes & goodes of the said Comissioner, or collectour as
the partie shall haue in his hande, and if the sayd Comissioners for
causes reasonable the mouyng, shall thinke it not conuenient to ioyne
in one certificate, as is aforesaid, the the sayd person or persons, that
shall first ioyne together, or he that shall first certifie the said wryting,
indented as is aforesaid, shall certify al the names of the Commissy-
oners, of that Commission, wherbyon suche wrytynges shalbe there
then to be certified, with diuision of the Hundrethes, wapentakes,
wardes, tythinges, or other places, to and amonge suche Commissi-
oners, of the same Commission, with the names of the same Commissy-
oners, where suche seperations and diuision shal be, with the grosse
summes of money, aswel of and for the saide Subsidye, taxed or set
of, or within þ said Hundrethes, wardes, wapentakes, or other places
to him or them deuided or assigned, that shall so certify the sayd synne
wryting, as of synes, amercyamentes, penalties, or other forfeitures, if
anye happen to be within the same limittes, whereof the same wry-
tinges shalbe certified, and after suche wrytyng indented, which as
is aforesaid, shalbe certified, and not containe in it, the whole & full
sommes, set and taxed within the limittes of the same Commyssyon,
the other Commyssyoners of the same, before the daye of payment of
the sayd Subsidye, shall certify into the sayde Eschequer, by theyr wry-
tinge or wrytinges, indented to be made as is aforesayde, the grosse
and seuerall Sommes, set and taxed within the places to them lymit-
ted for the said Subsidye, and other synes, amercyamentes, penalties
and forfeitures, with the names of the Hundrethes, wardes, wapen-
takes and other places to them assigned, or els by theyr sayde wrytin-
ges indented, to certify at the sayd place, before the sayde daye of pai-
mente, such reasonable causes for theyr excuses, why they maye not
make such certificate, of and for the sayd Subsidye, synes, amercya-
mentes, and other forfeitures, growyng or sette by reason of the cau-
ses of theyr lettes, or of theyr none certifying as is abouesayde, or els
in defaulte therof, proces to be made out of the Queenes Maiesties
sayde Eschequer, agaynst the sayde Commyssyoners, and euerye of
them, not makynge certificate as is aforesaid, by the dyscreyson of the
Treasourer or Barons of the sayde Eschequer.

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sayde, that the inhabytauntes of the paryshe of Saynte Martyn, called Stampforde Baron, in the Suburges of the Boroughes, & Towne of Stampford, in the South parte of the water, ther called Welland, which hereafter shalbe contributory to the payment of this present Subledye, graunted to the Quenes Maiestie, her heires and Successours, shalbe assessed, rated, and taxed for this tyme, by suche Compyssioners, which shalbe apointed for the taxing, ratyng, and lessyng of such Subledye, or tare within the Countie of Lyncolne, and shalbe for this tyme contributory, and pay the sayd Subledye, to the Collector, or Collectours, which shalbe assigned and appoynted for the leuying and gatheryng of the same, with the Aldermen and Burgesses of the sayd Borough and Towne of Stampford.

Wherbynded alwayes and be it enacted by thauethoritye afore sayde, that all and euerye person and persons, hauynge Manours, Landes, Tenementes and other Hereditaments, chargeable to the payment of the Subledye, graunted to the Quenes Maiestie, by this acte, and also hauynge spirituall possessions, chargeable to her sayde Maiestie, by the graunt made by the Clergy of this realme, in ther conuocation. And ouer this hauynge substance in goodes and cattels chargeable by this said acte, that then if any of the said perso or persons, be hereafter charged, assessed & taxed for the sayd Manours, Landes, and Tenementes and spirituall possessions, and also assessed charged, and taxed, for his or their goodes and Cattels, that then he or they shalbe onely charged by vertue of thys acte, for his and their sayd Manours, Landes, Tenementes, Hereditamentes and spirituall possessions, or onely for his sayd goodes, and Cattels the best ther of to be taken for the Quenes Maiestie, & not to be charged for both or double charged for any of them, any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary in any wyle notwithstanding.

Wherbynded alwayes that thys graunt of Subledye, nor anye thynge therein conteyned, in any wyle, extende to charge the inhabitauntes, or dwellers in Ireland, Iernesey and Garnesey, or any of them, of or concerning any manors, lades, tenementes, or other possessions, goodes, cattels, or other mouable substance, which the saide inhabitauntes, or dwellers, or any other to their vse, haue in Ireland Iernesey, & Garnesey, or in any of the, or of, for or concerning any fees or wages, whisth any of the sayd inhabitauntes or dwellers, haue of the quenes maiestie for the p^r attendaunce & doing seruice to our Soueraigne Lady, in Ireland, Iernesey and Garnesey, or in any of them, any thing in this p^resent acte to the cōtrary in any wyle notwithstanding.

Wherbynded also that this present acte of Subledye, ne anye thing therin cōteined, extend to any of the englishe inhabitauntes or residents in any of the counties of Northumberland, Cumberlād, Westmerlād, & towne of Barwicke, & towne of Newcastle vpo Tyne, & the

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Byshopricke of Durham, nor to anye of them, of, for or concernynge any Mannors, Landes, Tenementes, or other possessions, goodes, cattels, or other moueable substance, which the same inhabitauntes or dwellers, or any other to them, shal haue within the said countie of Northumberland, Cumberlād, Westmerlād, or the towne of Barwicke, the towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, or the Byshopricke of Durham, or any of them, or of, for or concerning anye fees or wages which any of the said inhabitauntes or dwellers haue of the Quenes Maiestie, so; they attendaunce & doing service to the Quenes Maiestie, so; or within the said countie of Northumberland, Cumberlande, Westmerland, the towne of Barwicke, the towne of Newcastle vpon Tyne, and the Byshopricke of Durham, or any of them, to or for the sayd taryng, leuyng, gather yng or payment, but that the Englyshe inhabitauntes, and resiauntes, and euery of the, of the sayd Counties Byshopricke and Townes, and euery of them, shalbe of and from the sayd Subledye, and euery pcell thereof, and for the Mannors, Landes, Tenementes, fees, wages, goodes, and Cattels lying and beyng in the saide Counties, Townes, and Byshopricke, or any of them, vtterly acquired and discharged, any thing in thys present acte before rehearsed to the contrary notwithstanding.

Wherby also that all letters patentes, graunted by the Quenes Maiestie, or any of her most noble progenitors, to anye cyties, Borowghes or Townes within this Realme, of anye maner of libertie, priuileges, or exemptions from the burden and charge of any such grauntes of Subledies, which be at this presente tyme in force and vpayable, shal remayne good and effectuell to the said cyties, Borowghes, and townes, hereafter, accordyng to the purportes thereof, though the inhabitauntes of the same, shal vpon the greate and waighty consideration of the graunt abouesaid, be for this graunt charged and contrybutory, in lyke maner, forme and sort as other cyties, Borowghes and townes, which be not in any wyse priuileged be from such graunt of Subledye excepted.

Wherby also, and be it enacted by thauthorytie afoze sayd, that no Wyphant or Infant, within the age of one and twentye yere, bozne within any of the Quenes Maiesties domynions, shalbe charged to any paymente of thys Subledye, for hys or her goodes, and cattels, to him or her left or bequeched, any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

Wherby also that thys acte, nor anye thyng therein conteyned, shal extend to the goodes or Landes of anye Colledge, Hall, or Scholl within the vniuersities of Orenford and Cambridge or any of them, or to the goodes or Landes of the Colledge of Wyntō founded by Byshoppe Wykeham, or to the goodes or lades of the colledge

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colledge of Eton next windesore, or to the goodes or landes of any common fre grammer scole within the realme of England or Wales or to the goodes of any Reader, Scholemaster, or scole, or anye graduate within the said vniuersities and colleges, or anye of them, ther remainyng for study, without fraude or couyn, or to the goodes and landes of any hospital, meason due, or spittlehouse, prepared and bled for the sustentation and reliefe of pooze poople, anye thing in thys acte conteyned to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

It is prouyded also, and be it enacted, that forasmuche as byuers and sondry the Quenes Maiesties tenauntes, and other inhaby-
tauntes & dwellers, within the counties of Denbroke, Carmarthen, Cardigan, Glamorgan, Brecknocke, Radnoure, Montgomery, Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, Anglesey, Carnarvon, and of the countye palentine of Chester, be at this presente tyme charged and chargeable with the seuerall paymentes of diuers great sommes of money, by the name of Wyse due to her maiestie, according to the seuerall customes of the sayd counties.

Be it therefore ordeyned and enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that this acte of subledye, or any thing therein contained, shal not extend to charge any of the Quenes tenauntes, and other inhabitan-
tes & dwellers, within any of the said counties of Denbroke, Carmarthen, Cardigan, Glamorgan, Brecknocke, Radnoure, Montgomery, Denbigh, Flint, Merioneth, Anglesey, Carnarvon, and the countye palentine of Chester, being charged or chargeable with the said mise for or in any of the paymentes of the saide subledye graunted to the Quenes Maiestie by this acte, vntil the sayde seuerall dayes & times for the payment of the said Wyse shalbe expyred, and vntyl the daies and times of the seuerall subledies, lately graunted to our late Soueraigne lorde & soueraigne Lady, kyng Philip & quene Mary, be also past and expyred, & that then the fyrst payment of the sayde Subledye graunted by this present act, shalbe made at the receypte of the quenes Exchequer, before the first day of March nexte folowynge after the last dayes of the last payment to be had or appointed of the sayde Wyse, and of the payment of the said former subledies. And the second payment of this subledie, to be made by, or before the fyrste daye of March next after the sayd first payment of the sayd Subledye.

Furthermoze be it enacted by thauuthoritie aforesayde, that the tenauntes and dwellers of euerye of the sayde counties in thys prouiso remembred, shal seuerally before the feast of Penthecost next ensuyng, certify into the sayd court of Exchequer, vnder the scales of two Iustices of peace of euery of the said counties, wherof one to be of the Quorum, whe and what day the last paymente of the sayde seuerall Wyse nowe due in any of the said counties, shal ende & expyre.

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Wherby also, that the said graunt of Subsidye, or anye other thing therein conteyned, do not in any wise extend to be preiudiciall or hurtfull to the inhabitants or ressautes at this presente tyme within the fyve portes corporate, or to any of their members in corporate or united to the same fyve portes, or to any of the same fyve portes, or, or for any part or percell of the said Sommes graunted in this parliament, of the said inhabitants now ressaute, or anye of them, to be rayed, set, asked, leuied, or payde. But the sayd inhabitants and ressautes in the said fyve portes, and theyr members, be a walbe of, and from the said graunt and payment of the sayde Subsidye, duringe their ressaunte there, and no lenger, clearly acquired and discharged. Anye matter, or whatsoever thinge in this presente acte had or made to the contrary notwithstanding.

God saue the Quene.

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